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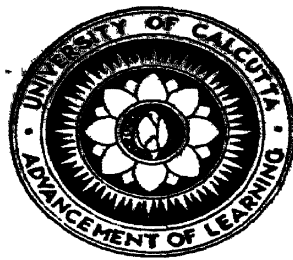


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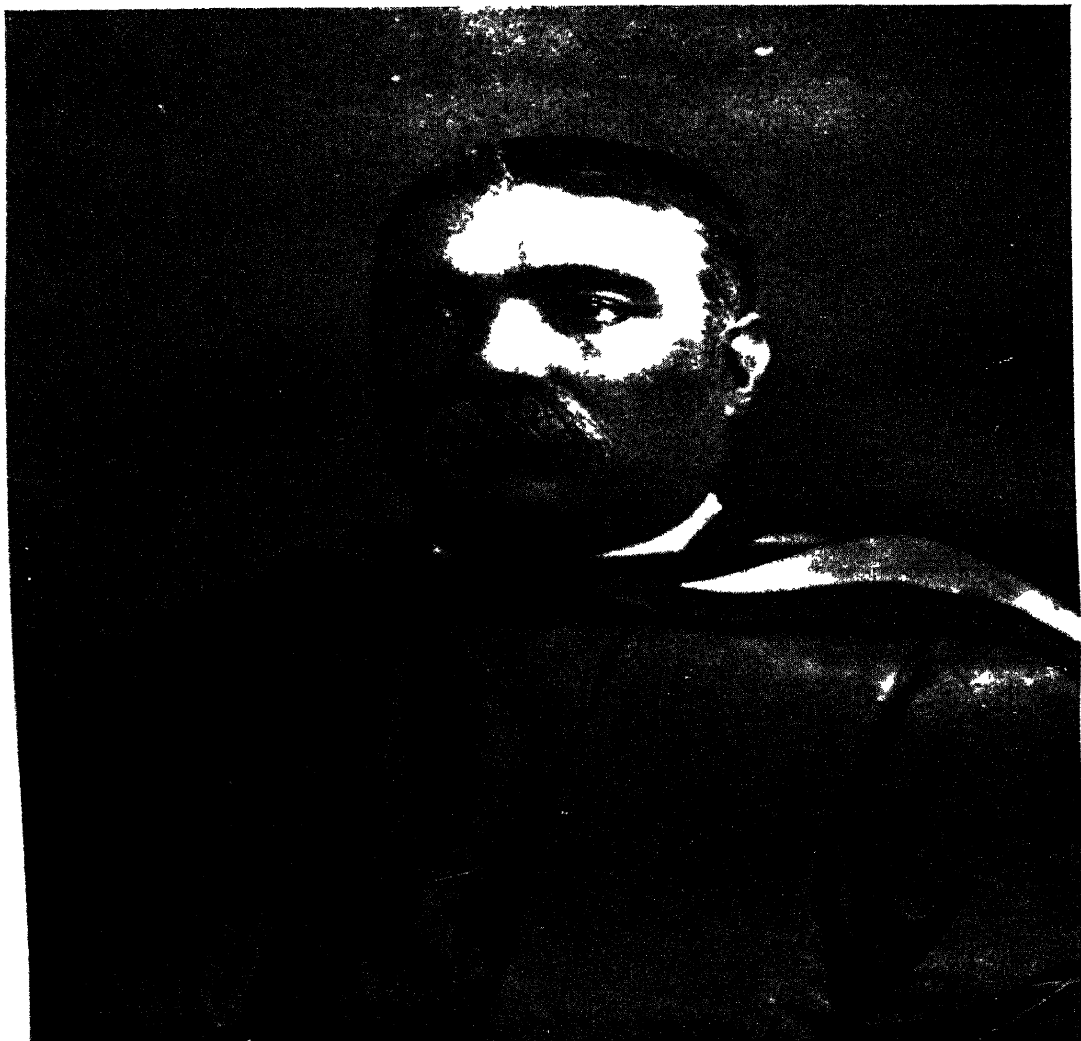
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Vol. III *Deux Lexiques Sanskrit-Chinois, Tome II* Double  
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This work is of capital interest to students of Buddhism, of Indian history, to Sinologists, to linguists and to all those who are interested in the early history of cultural exchange between China and India.

Vol. IV *Le Canon Bouddhique en Chine, Tome II* Royal  
8vo pp 306 (pp 437-742) 1938 Rs 15-0

It contains a history of the Chinese Buddhist literature from the seventh to the thirteenth century A D.

The work will be completed with detailed indexes in a separate volume which is now in the press.

**The Evolution of Indian Polity**, by R. Shama Sastri, B A  
Ph D, M R A S, Curator, Government Oriental  
Library, Mysore. Demy 8vo pp 192 1920 (*Slightly  
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**Social Organisation in North-East India in Buddha's Time**, by Richard Fick (translated by Sisukumar Maitra, M A , Ph D ) Demv Svo pp 390 1920 Rs 7-8

"Dr Fick's *Die Soziale Gliederung im Nordöstlichen Indien zu Buddhas Zeit* has, for many years, been of invaluable assistance to all interested in the social and administrative history of Buddhist India. But those ignorant of German were unable to make use of that book and their warm gratitude will be extended to Dr. Maitra for his eminently readable translation. The book is too well known to need any review, suffice it to say that the translation is worthy of the book. Now that this scholarly work is made available in English, it should find a larger circulation."—*Hindustan Review*, July, 1923

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**Sources of Law and Society in Ancient India** (*Thesis for the Degree of Doctor of Law*), by Nareschandra Sen-gupta, M A , D.L Demy 8vo pp. 109 1914. Re. 1-8

In this book the author traces the sources of Ancient Indian Law with reference to the environments in society and deals with matters regarding legal conceptions historically, initiating a somewhat new method mainly following the one indicated by Ihering with reference to Roman Law in the study of problems of Hindu Law

**Pre-Historic India**, by Panchanan Mitra, M A , Ph D Second Edition, *Revised and Enlarged* Demy 8vo pp 542 (with 53 plates) 1927 Rs 7-0

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**Some Contributions of South India to Indian Culture** (*Readership Lectures in the Calcutta University, 1919*), by S Krishnaswami Aiyangar, M A , Ph D., Professor of Indian History and Archæology in the University of Madras Demy 8vo pp. 468. 1923 Rs. 6-0.

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The lectures were delivered in the Calcutta University by Dr Annie Besant under the auspices of the Kamala Lectureship established in memory of his beloved daughter by the late Sir Asutosh Mookerjee, Kt, C S I

**Philosophical Discipline** (*Kamala Lectures, 1926*), by Mahamahopadhyay Ganganath Jha, M.A, D.Litt Demy 8vo pp 179 1928. Re 1-8.

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**The History of Pre-Buddhistic Indian Philosophy**, by B. M. Barua, M. A. (Cal.), D. Lit. (London). Royal 8vo pp. 468. 1921. Rs. 10-8.

The book gives a clear exposition of the origin and growth of Indian Philosophy from the Vedas to the Buddha, and seeks to evolve order out of chaos—to systematise the teachings of the various pre-Buddhistic sages and sects scattered in Vedic literature (Vedas, Brahmanas, Upanishads) and in the works of the Jains, the Ajivikas and the Buddhists.

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**Bharatiya Madhya Yuge Sadhanar Dhara** (*Adhar Mohanar Lectures for 1928, in Bengali*), by Kshatimohan Sen, Sastri, M. A., Professor of Indian Religion and Mysticism, Visvabharati, Santiniketan, with a Foreword by Rabindranath Tagore. Demy 8vo pp. xvi + 135. Re. 1-8.

In this work the author has given for the first time an outline of the religious history of India during the Mussalman rule. He has criticised here the popular theory that India was acquired by Mahomedan invaders merely by means of the sword and has properly appreciated the part of the Moslem saints, orthodox as well as heterodox, in conquering India for Islam. This unique work is based principally on materials collected by the author from hundreds of religious shrines (including many obscure ones) visited by him during the last thirty years. Another feature of the work is that it reveals the natural love of spiritual matters on the part of the common people of India.

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"Pandit Kshatimohan Sen's *Madhya Yuga Sāthamir Dhara* is just what could be expected from this magnificent scholar—unparalleled riches of information compressed in the shortest space.—*Prof. Suktam Lata*

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The book contains a course of lectures on Numismatics, a part of Archaeology, delivered by the Professor in 1921. The subjects of the lectures are as follows

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**A Study of the Vedanta**, being a study at once critical, comparative and constructive, by Dr. Sarojkumari Das, M.A. (Cal.), Ph.D. (Lond.), with a Foreword by Prof. Sir Sarvapalli Radhakrishnan, M.A., D.Litt. Second Edition. Demy 8vo pp xiv + 404 1937 Rs 4-0

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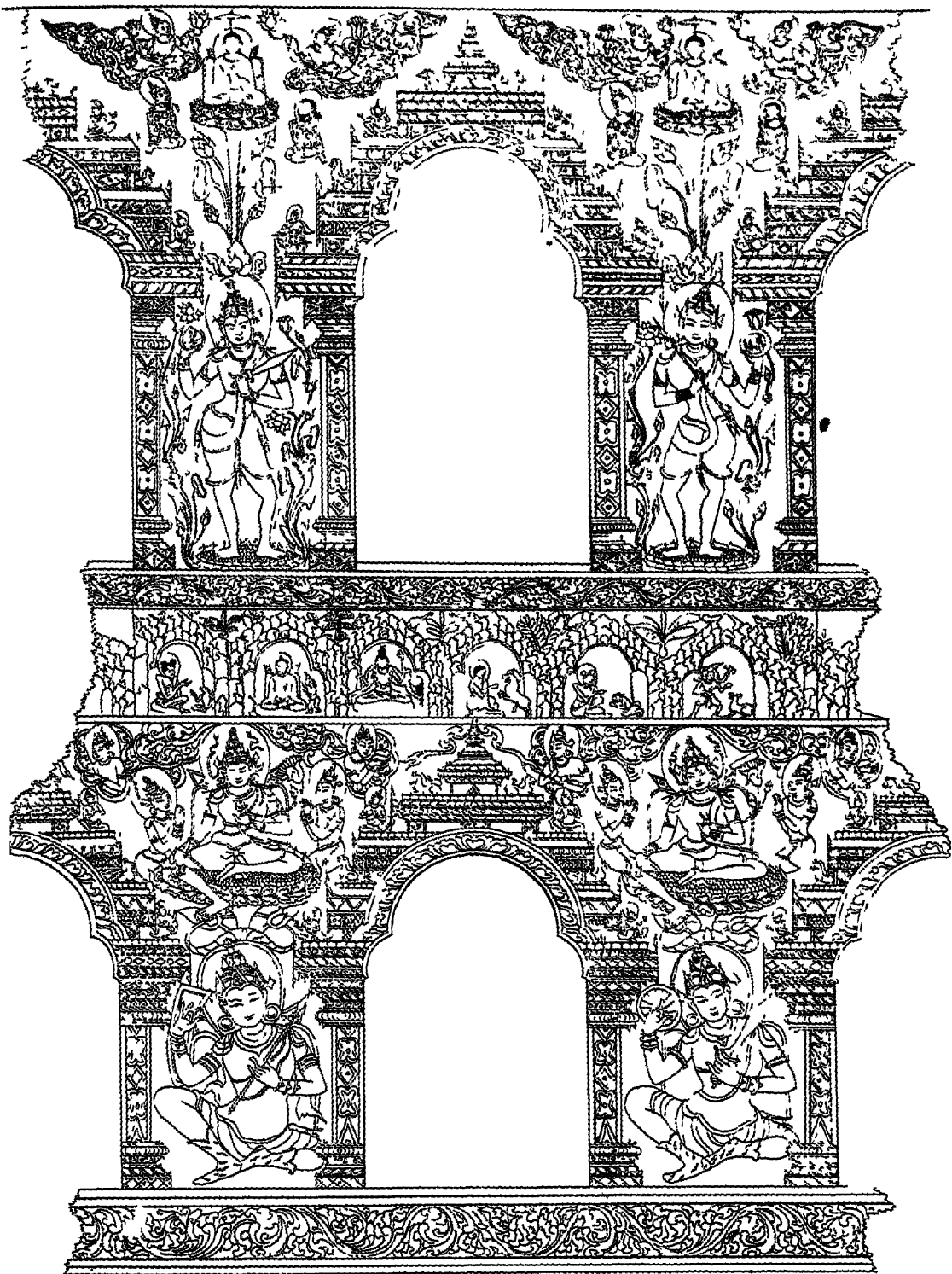
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Outline copy of a portion of wall-painting, Abeyadana Temple, Pagan

11th Century A D



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**Paniniya-Sikṣa** or the Śikṣā-Vedāṅga ascribed to Pāṇini, edited by Mr Manomohan Ghosh, M A, Kavyatirtha, of the Calcutta University. Demy 8vo pp lxxi + 90 (*bound in cloth*) 1938 Rs 3-0

This text being the most ancient work on Vedic (Indo-Aryan) phonetics (*Śikṣā*) has been critically edited in all its five recensions with an introduction, translation and notes together with its two commentaries. In the introduction the editor discusses among other things briefly the evolution of the six branches of auxiliary Vedic studies known as the six Vedāṅgas and has treated in full the origin and development of the study of Phonetics (*Śikṣā*) which has been considered one of the important branches of modern Linguistics. Besides this the editor discusses here the antiquity of Pāṇini and throws some fresh light on the date of this great grammarian who is supposed to be the author of the *Śikṣā*.

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**Art and Archæology Abroad**, by Dr. Kalidas Nag, M.A. (Cal.), D.Litt. (Paris). Demy 8vo pp. 132+20 illustrations. Rs. 2-0

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and America and studied the special arrangements and provisions for the collection and co-ordination of the data of arts and archæology as well as the methods of teaching of those subjects in some of those places. The outcome of these studies undertaken by him is this useful report which is of immense help to the students as well as the teachers of this branch of Indology.

**Brahmanical Gods in Burma** (A chapter of Indian Art and Iconography), by Niharranjan Ray, M A. Royal 8vo pp 106, with 23 plates. 1932 Rs 2-4.

This monograph is an outcome of the studies and researches made by the author in the domain of Burmese Art, Archaeology and History. The materials were collected by him during the archæological tours that he had made throughout Burma in 1927 and 1929. He has made a detailed analytical study of the numerous Brahmanical images scattered all over the Peninsula and has tried to bring out fully their iconographic significance and their bearing upon early Indo-Burmese historical and cultural relations.

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**Prefaces** (Lectures on Art subjects), by Prof. Shahid Suhrawardy. Demy 8vo pp 273 Rs 3-0

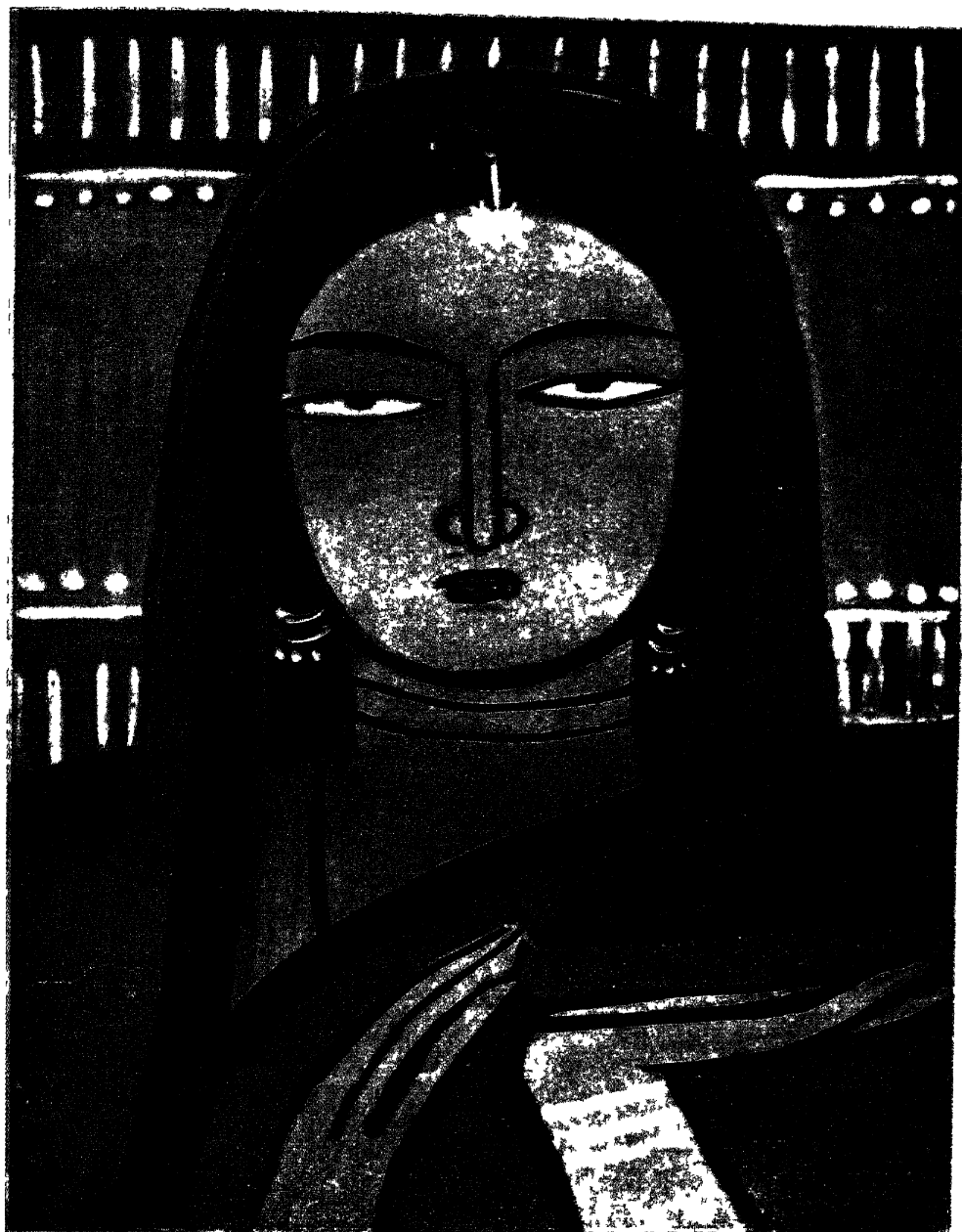
Most of these papers are lectures read out by the author to students at various intervals at the Osmania University, the Visvabharati, the Lucknow Exhibition, 1936 (Fine Arts Pavilion) and at other places.

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**Chronology of Ancient India** (From the times of the Rig-Vedic King Divodāsa to Chandragupta Maurya, with glimpses into the Political History of the period), by Sitanath Pradhan, M.Sc., Ph.D., Brihaspati. Royal 8vo pp 291 + 30 1927. Rs. 6-0.

Preface



A Woman's Face

*By Jamini Roy*



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**Asoka** (*Carmichael Lectures, 1923*), by Prof. D. R. Bhandarkar, M.A., Ph.D., F.A.S.B. Second Edition, Revised and Enlarged. Demv. 8vo pp. 428. 1932. Rs. 5-0.

In this book the author has set forth his views about the Buddhist monarch after a careful and systematic study for a quarter of a century not only of the inscriptions of Asoka but also of the valuable translations and notes on these records by distinguished scholars in the field of Ancient Indian History.

Dr. Truman Michelson says in *Jour Amer Ori Soc*, Vol. 46, pp. 238-39 —

In this connection it may be observed that the notes on the translations are ordinarily very full, so that even the publication of the new edition of C.I.I. will not render this part of Bhandarkar's work superfluous, and it cannot be denied that occasionally he has made real contributions in the interpretation (*e.g.*, the sense of *samāja*)"

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**Political History of Ancient India** (From the Accession of Parikshit to the Extinction of the Gupta Dynasty), by Hemchandra Raychaudhuri, M A , Ph D. Fourth Edition, *Revised and Enlarged* Royal 8vo pp xxiii + 582, with maps and charts 1938 Rs 7-8

Dr Raychaudhuri's work in the domain of Indology is characterised by a rare sobriety of judgment and by a constant reference to original sources and this makes his contributions specially valuable. We have here probably the first attempt on scientific lines to sketch the political history of India including the pre-Buddhist period from about the ninth century B C, and the work is one of great importance to students of Indian history. The revised edition embodies the results of the most recent researches in the subject. An interesting feature of this work is the insertion in certain chapters of introductory verses from literature to show that poets and sages of Ancient India were not altogether unmindful of the political vicissitudes through which their country passed.

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**Patanjala Yoga Darsana** (in Bengali), by Srimat Swāmi Hariharānanda Āranya Edited by Srimat Swāmi Dharmamegha Āranya and Rai Jajneswar Ghosh, Bahadur, M A , Ph D Royal 8vo pp 760 1938 Rs 5-0

It is a comprehensive and in many respects original exposition in Bengali of the sūtras of Patañjal and the Bhāṣya of

Vyāsa It contains also an original treatise in Sanskrit on the Sāṃkhya system named Sāṃkhya Tattvāloka and a translation of it in Bengali. Besides these there are certain instructive dissertations on Sāṃkhya principles and Yogic practice and the value of the book has been much enhanced by the incorporation in it of an independent exposition in Sanskrit of Vyāsa's Bhāṣya and a translation thereof into the vernacular. The whole work has been thoroughly revised with a view to clear up obscurities and to illustrate difficult points.

### SOME OPINIONS

মহামহোপাধ্যায় পণ্ডিত গোপীনাথ কবিরাজ, এম্ এ (প্রিন্সিপ্যাল, গভনমেন্ট সংস্কৃত কলেজ, কাশী) —“বঙ্গলা ও ইংরাজী ভাষায় যোগভাষ্য ও সাংখ্যদর্শন সম্বন্ধে এ পর্যন্ত যতগুলি গ্রন্থ ও আলোচনাগ্রন্থ প্রকাশিত হইয়াছে তাহার কোনটিই ব্যাখ্যাবিশিষ্ট, প্রতিপাদ্য বিষয়ের স্পষ্টীকরণ এবং গ্রন্থের পূর্বাধার সঙ্গতি রক্ষাপূর্বক শাস্ত্রের মিথুচ রহস্যের উদ্ভেদন সম্বন্ধে স্বামীজীর ব্যাখ্যার সহিত উপমিত হইবার যোগ্য নহে। \* \* বিচার ও স্বাতন্ত্র্যের সহিত শাস্ত্রের সম্বন্ধের একপ দৃষ্টান্ত আজকাল একান্ত দুর্লভ। \* \* :”

কাশী হিন্দু বিশ্ববিদ্যালয়ের সাংখ্য ও যোগের অধ্যাপক মহামহোপাধ্যায় পণ্ডিত অন্নদাচরণ তর্কচূড়ামণি—“\* . \* গ্রন্থকার প্রাচ্য ও পাশ্চাত্য দর্শনশাস্ত্রে সুপণ্ডিত এবং মোক্ষসাধনে উৎসর্গীকৃতজীবন, তীব্র বৈরাগ্যবান, অসাধারণ প্রতিভাশালী এবং সুদীর্ঘ-কালব্যাপি সাধনবান্, একনিষ্ঠ তত্ত্বদর্শী বোগী বলিয়াই তিনি এইরূপ সাধনসম্বন্ধী, অজ্ঞাতপূর্ব তত্ত্বসুপ্তিপূর্ণ, বিশুদ্ধ, গভীর ও অনবচ্ছিন্ন দার্শনিক গ্রন্থ লিখিতে সমর্থ হইয়াছেন। সাংখ্যযোগসম্বন্ধে একরূপ গ্রন্থ আর দেখিয়াছি বলিয়া মনে হয় না। \* ”

কাশী হিন্দু বিশ্ববিদ্যালয়ের প্রাচ্যবিজ্ঞানবিভাগাধ্যক্ষ মহামহোপাধ্যায় পণ্ডিত প্রমথনাথ তর্কভূষণ—“অত্র মহাত্মাব্যস্ত সঙ্কলিত্ত্বগুণীয়ার্থপ্রকাশনে অনন্তসাধারণ প্রাণীধামুপলব্ধিমতঃ। ভাষা চান্ত প্রাসাদমাব্যগাভীষ-সমন্বিতা সর্বথা প্রশংসনীয়ৈব। পাতন্ত্র্যযোগ-শাস্ত্রম্বগন্তঃ প্রযতমানানং বঙ্গীয়পাঠকানামং গ্রন্থো মহতে খলুপকার্য্য অভ্যবগীতি অত্র নাস্তি বিশ্রুতিপত্রিতি।”

কাশী হিন্দু বিশ্ববিদ্যালয়াদ্যাপক পণ্ডিত হরিহর শাস্ত্রী—“সঙ্কলিত্ত্ব-ব্রহ্মোপাধুতানবরিত্ত্বাং প্রাচ্য-প্রতীচ্যদর্শন-নিকাত্ত্বাচ্চ গ্রাহ্যং পণ্ডিতানামপি কিমুত বিজ্ঞাথিনাং নিতরামুপকরিত্ত্বীতি মে স্পদো বিশ্বাসঃ সমুৎপত্তমানো বিজ্ঞতে। দ্রুতগম যোগারণ্যে ব্যাপারে-গানেন ঘটাপথনির্মাণমুত্তীতমারণ্যমহোদয়েনেতি ন খলু বিস্তঃ বচঃ। কস্তামপি ভাষায়াং যোগদর্শনশ্রে-তাৎশঃ পরমোপযোগী সন্দর্ভো নাভ্যপি প্রকাশিত ইতি গ্রন্থস্তাস্ত্রাহনুশীলনেনৈব স্বয়মুত্তবিশিষ্ট শাস্ত্রসিকাঃ।”

কাশীর সাহিত্যদর্শনাচার্য গোস্বামী দামোদর শাস্ত্রী, তর্করত্ন, ত্রায়রত্ন—“কাপিলমঠমধ্যানীনঃ পরিব্রাজক-শ্রীমৎস্বামী হবিহরানন্দাবণ্য মহোদয়ে বঙ্গভাষা যোগভাষ্য-মনুবদন্তি ঠাকুর’ভুচ্চ বৈশ্বজ্ঞন টিপ্পনযুক্তিচ্চ প্রকাশিতং নিবন্ধং বহুত্রালোচ্য সমধিগত্য চৈনেনোক্ত-স্বামীনাং গ্রন্থোপপাদনশৈলীঃ লোকভাষা হুপপাদবিষয়ানামপি স্ববগমনাসরণিম্ অনপূর্বাভিন্নপি প্রতীচ্যপ্রক্রিয়াভিন্ন-পূর্বাধারী-বৃত্তঃ প্রদর্শিতাভিঃ স্বাতন্ত্র্যবোপজ্ঞ প্রকারোপস্কৃতিপাৰিপাট্যেনানিতরসাধারণেন জিজ্ঞাসু-সংশয়মুক্তিকামযুক্তিনিকরেণ চ প্রসাদত্বমান-মানসচ্চিবং লোকানুগকুরিবং নিবন্ধো জগদীশ্বরানুকম্পয়া ত্তরতাদন্তি কাময়মানো বিরমতি দুধা বিস্তৃষাদিতি শম্।”

মহামহোপাধ্যায় পণ্ডিত শিবচন্দ্র সার্কবভৌম, ভট্টপল্লী—“ \* \* \* পণ্ডিত-প্রবরস্ত স্বামিনো গভীরবিজ্ঞানৈপুণ্যমহুত্ব স্বকীৰ্ত্তনে ময়া তাবদিনমুচ্যতে গ্রন্থোহয়ং যোগজিজ্ঞাসুনাং পণ্ডিতানাং উপকাৰিত্বাতিবসমাদরভাজনং ভবিতুমৰ্হতি । \* \* \* ”

স্বাধীন ত্রিপুরার রাজপণ্ডিত মহামহোপাধ্যায় পণ্ডিত বৈকুণ্ঠনাথ বেদান্তবাচস্পতি—“ \* \* \* যোগদর্শন ( বা যে কোন দর্শন ) এমন আকারে এমন প্রকারে কেহই এতদিন প্রকাশ করেন নাই, যোগতত্ত্ব বুঝাইতে এ গ্রন্থে যে প্রণালী অবলম্বিত হইয়াছে তাহা বর্তমান কালের সম্পূর্ণ উপযোগী ও অনুকূল । অধিক কি বলিব অস্থানিরপেক্ষ হইয়াও এ গ্রন্থ আরও করা বাইতে পারে, এমন স্থলরভাবে ব্যাখ্যাবিশেষণাদি করা হইয়াছে । এ গ্রন্থের আদর না করিবেন এমন পণ্ডিত, জ্ঞানী, যোগী, ভক্ত বা তত্ত্বানুসন্ধিৎসু নাই । যদি থাকেন তিনি হতভাগ্য, তাহার মঙ্গল বহুজন্মে সাধ্য । ”

মহামহোপাধ্যায় পণ্ডিত কামাখ্যানাথ তর্কবাগীশ, সংস্কৃত কলেজের ন্যায়শাস্ত্রধ্যাপক, কলিকাতা—“ \* \* \* ইদানীন্তন কালে যে সকল অনুবাদ প্রকাশিত হইয়াছে তাহার মধ্যে অনেক অনুবাদই শব্দানুবাদ, শব্দানুবাদ দ্বারা মূলের তাৎপর্য্যাবগতির সম্ভাবনা নাই । পরন্তু আপনার প্রকাশিত অনুবাদ সেরূপ নহে, ইহা প্রকৃতই অর্থানুবাদ, \* \* \* বলা বাহুল্য, আপনার এই পুস্তক প্রকাশিত হওয়ায় দেশের বিশেষ উপকার সাধিত হইয়াছে । ”

*Rai Rajendra Chandra Sastri, Bahadur, M A., Translator to the Government of Bengal — ‘ I consider it a work of rare merit. It is a comprehensive treatise in Bengali on the subject and deserves a careful perusal by all who wish to study Yoga unaided. The exposition of the principles of Yoga as contained in the book is lucid and argues a thorough mastery of the subject by the author. ’*

যোগদর্শনস্থ সাংখ্যতত্ত্বালোক পড়িয়া পণ্ডিত কালীবর বেদান্তবাগীশ—“ বাহা দেখিলাম তাহাতে বুঝিলাম, গ্রন্থখানি অতি উপাদেয় হইয়াছে । নব্য সম্প্রদায়ের বিশেষ উপকারী হইয়াছে বলিয়া বোধ হইল । বলিতে কি আমি যে সাংখ্যর বঙ্গানুবাদ প্রকাশ করিয়াছি তাহা অপেক্ষা ইহা অনেক উৎকৃষ্ট । ”

যোগদর্শনস্থ কাল ও দিক্ বা অবকাশ নামক পুস্তিকা সম্বন্ধে তত্ত্ববোধিনী পত্রিকা বলেন—“ \* \* \* লেখক স্বয়ং শাস্ত্রীয় ভিত্তিতে দিক্ ও কালের স্বকীয় সিদ্ধান্তকে যেরূপ পাণ্ডিত্য ও স্বামুভূতির সহিত সূদৃঢ় বুদ্ধিপরিপ্লবের প্রতিপাদন করিয়াছেন তাহা পাঠ করিয়া আমবা যুগপৎ বিস্মিত ও আনন্দিত হইবাছি । প্রাচ্য ও পাশ্চাত্য চিন্তাধারার সম্মেলন একো বাঙ্গলা ভাষায় যে এই জাতীয় মৌলিক দর্শনগ্রন্থ উদ্ভব হইতে পারে পূর্বে তাহা আমাদের ধারণার অতীত ছিল । \* \* \* পুস্তিকাখানি আকারে ক্ষুদ্র হইলেও ইহাব গুণেব ইহতা নাই । ”

কলিকাতা ইউনিভারসিটি ল কলেজের প্রিন্সিপ্যাল ডা° সতীশচন্দ্র বাগচী, LL D, Bar-at-law—“ পুস্তিকাখানি আকারে ছোট, কিন্তু এত অল্পপরিমিত পুস্তকে এরূপ দুর্লভ ব্যাপারের এমন সরল ব্যাখ্যা করা হইয়াছে যাহা ইহার পূর্বে বাঙ্গলা ভাষায় কেহই করিতে পারেন নাই । \* \* \* এই পুস্তকের বহুল প্রচার বাঞ্ছনীয় । ”

**Sankhya Conception of Personality**, by Abhaykumar Majumdar, M A Edited by J K Majumdar, M A, Ph D, Barrister-at-Law With a Foreword by Sir S Radhakrishnan Royal 8vo pp. 174 1930 Rs 2-8

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**Philosophical Currents of the Present Day**, by L Stein  
(translated by Sisir Kumar Maitra, M A , Ph D ).

Vol I Royal 8vo pp 250 1918 Rs 4-8  
Vol II. Royal 8vo pp 162 1919 Rs 4-8.  
Vol III Royal 8vo pp 237 1935 Rs 3-8.

The book is a translation of the well-known work of Ludwig Stein It contains a description and critical examination of the philosophical movements of the present day The contents of the three volumes are as follows —

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Considering Prof Stein's eminence as a Social Philosopher, the third volume may be looked upon as the most important of the three volumes. The famous Chapter on Authority is, according to the author, the keystone of his Philosophy. This volume contains a preface, especially written by the author for the English edition. An extract from the preface is given below.

*"I am extremely grateful to my English translator for this, that he has made the first attempt to make my Philosophy accessible to the English-speaking world \* \* \* It is my bounden duty to express my heartiest thanks publicly to the translator of this work, because he had the courage to take up in the midst of the War, the work of a Swiss written in German."*

*Prof J H Murrhead, M A , LL D , University of Birmingham — "The translation seems to me most readable and the printing, all that could be desired. It has obviously been a labour of love to you to make the writings of this distinguished writer accessible to English and American readers."*

**Hegelianism and Human Personality**, by Hiralal Halder, M A , Ph D Demy 8vo pp 67 1910 Rs 3-12

The theory advanced in this book provides a philosophical foundation for the empirical fact of multiple personality. It also explains what the 'subliminal self' of man is. The author gives his own interpretation of Hegel's teaching which is that according to Hegel the Absolute is not a unitary personality but a self-conscious unity of a plurality of selves.

**Socrates** (in Bengali illustrated), Vol I, by Rajanikanta Guha, M A Demy 8vo pp 584 1922 Rs 5-0

The author, as a preliminary to the study of the life and thought of the great Greek philosopher, gives in this volume a detailed account of Greek life and culture instituting interesting comparison with the life of the Ancient Aryans in India. The author is one of the few Indians who has a familiarity with Greek authors in the original, and this work may be said to be the most authentic work in Bengali on ancient Greek civilisation.

**Do.** (in Bengali illustrated), Vol. II Demy 8vo. pp 861 1925 Rs 8-0

This volume has been divided into three parts. Part I deals with the life and character of Socrates, Part II contains the details of judgment and death, and Part III contains the teachings of Socrates.

**Introduction to Advaita Philosophy** (English edition), by  
Kokileswar Sastri, Vidyanatna, M A. (*Second Edition,  
thoroughly revised and enlarged*) Demy 8vo pp 280.  
1926 Rs 4-0

The work is a brilliant exposition of the Sankara-School of the Vedanta Philosophy. The most striking feature of the work is the full consideration of various altogether-new issues such as —(1) whether Sankara has denied the reality of the objects of the universe, (2) whether individuality has been resolved in his system of Philosophy into mere relations and actions and whether the Ego cannot be held to be an active power, (3) whether Vedanta advocates inertia, emptying of the human mind rather than its expansion, (4) whether Sankara's Theory can be called Pantheism, (5) what is the relation between Being and Not-Being, and between Infinite and Finite, (6) what is the place of Ethics and Religion, (7) what is the correct view on Vedantic Mukti, and such other valuable topics. The work will prove an indispensable companion for the thorough and correct understanding of the great Maya-Vada in its various aspects. Copious authoritative quotations from Sankara's commentaries on the 10 Upanishads, Brahma-Sutra and Gita have been given in the footnotes enhancing the value of the work, which are an invaluable mine of information on the subject. The author attempts also to clear up various misinterpretations and misrepresentations of the Sankara-Vedanta, giving a correct and right exposition.

Extracts from the opinions of a few are given —

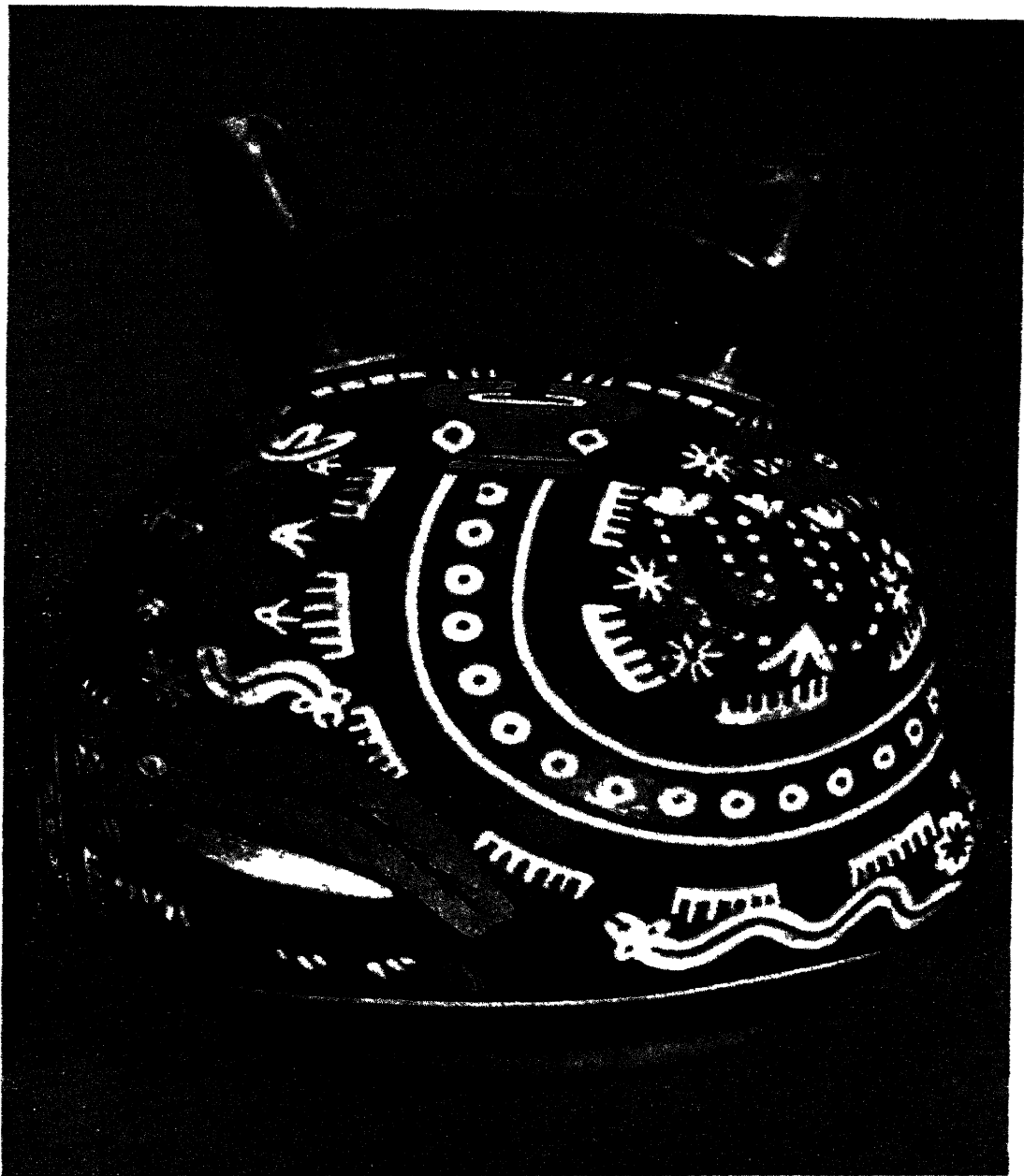
*Professor A. Berriedale Keith, D Litt, D C L*, University of Edinburgh —“ Your book is a remarkably able and highly interesting contribution to the interpretation of Sankara. Its collection of passages alone would be of very high value, for the extent of Sankara's writings is so great as to render easy reference impossible without such aid, and I fully appreciate the labour which has been involved in the selection of the texts cited. Even greater value applies to your powerful exposition of the realistic element in Sankara.”

Your work will therefore I trust continue to *exercise an important influence* on the interpretation and appreciation of the Vedanta.”

*Professor Julius Jolly, Ph D*, University of Wurzburg, Bavaria — “ This work contains an excellent exposition, I think, of the main principles of the Advaita system and an equally excellent vindication of this against the reproaches raised by scholars wrongly interpreting its technical terms.”

*Sir George A. Grierson, K C I E, Ph D., D Litt, LL D*, late Vice President, Royal Asiatic Society of Great Britain and Ireland —“ Very interesting and instructive. Your book shows evidence of much original research.”

*Dr L. D. Barnett*, Oriental Studies, London Institution (University of London) —“ Your book is a work of considerable merit.”



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 " I have read this novel exposition of Sankara's system with interest and profit. Whether one entirely agrees with the author's theory or not, one will admire his ingenuity and be grateful for many valuable suggestions. It is an admirable book .. "

*Dr M E Senart of Paris —* " Your deep justice to the old master —Sankara—and your remarkable command of the difficult literary materials cannot but meet the grateful acknowledgment of all interested in this line of research "

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*Prof. E Washburn Hopkins, Ph D, LL D, Yale University, America —* " My final judgment is that you have made a most important contribution to our knowledge of Sankara's Philosophy "

*Prof. Helmuth von Glasenapp, of Berlin University —* " The philosophy of Sankara has always attracted me since I began to study Sanskrit. Your book was therefore of special interest to me and I fully appreciate the lucid exposition of the doctrines of one of the greatest thinkers India has produced. I trust we may look forward to other books from your able pen, dealing also with the later and still little known phases of Vedanta Philosophy "

*Prof D Johannes Hertel, Professor of Sanskrit, University of Leipzig, Germany —* " No doubt this work—Introduction to Advaita Philosophy, 2nd Edition—is extremely useful, lucid in style, and independent in the representation of Sankara's doctrine. It remarkably marks a decided step in advance . "

*Prof Richard Garbe, Ph.D, of the University of Tübingen —* " It is more than its title indicates, not only an able Introduction, but a very important contribution to the history of Indian Philosophy, especially Chapter III seems to me to be of particular importance, as according to it, the current notions about Sankara's conception of the world *have to be corrected*. I wish you all success which your learning and diligence deserve "

*Prof James H Woods, Ph D, of Harvard University —* " . . Your book has given me the greatest pleasure. It is coherently written and the arguments move forward with logical precision and at the same time keep close to the text of the Vedanta. I found the book extremely valuable and I hope it will be the first one of the series. Your work has impressed me so much that I am sending you an invitation. . . "

*Dr Sylvain Lévi, Ph D, of College de France, Paris —* " Your book is of a lasting value. You have mastered Sankara's work as a real Pandit and you know to expose his doctrines perfectly as a modern scholar. Never did I realise before so fully the *perfect unity* of Sankara's teachings. Your book is a concordancy, a Cyclopædia of Sankara's Philosophy. The quotations are well selected, thoroughly clear, conclusive, a glance over the notes at the foot of the pages shows they are a substantial reading, affording the *सार* of Sankara's thoughts "

*Prof M Bloomfield, of John Hopkins University —* " Your book is, I am convinced, a most valuable contribution to our knowledge of India's high thought: your exposition of Sankara is that of a loving disciple but at the same time, critical as well as sympathetic. Your chapter on Maya is especially illuminating, but I remember *every page* of the book is full of clarifying information. No Indologist can possibly read it without being grateful to you for your first-hand, trustworthy help in this difficult field "

*Prof Richard Schmidt, Ph D, of Munster University —* " Surely your book is an admirably suitable introduction to that most magnificent achievement of Indian thought. Your book is not only a highly inter

esting contribution to the interpretation of Sankara's writings, but also in every way a new argument of the justness of the *ex oriente lux*. I wish you best success "

*Prof A. Hallebrandt, Ph D*, of Breslau University —" Your work marks a great progress by the brilliant exposition which Sankara's views have found therein by your painstaking labour and judicious treatment I fully appreciate the value of your scholarly work which I think a *perfect success*. Allow me to repeat my opinion that your work represents a high standard of Indian scholarship "

*Prof H Luders*, of Berlin University —" I have read your excellent Introduction with the greatest interest and profit Your profound knowledge of Sankara has enabled you to carve out new ways to the understanding of India's great philosopher In my opinion your work is a mark in the exposition of Vedanta Philosophy, and anybody who will take up in future those problems will have to deal with your views You have solved some of the riddles proposed by apparent contradictions in the texts and I am sure we shall have to modify considerably the prevalent opinion on Sankara Philosophy "

*Dr P. K Ray, D Sc* (London and Edin) —" The Preface is well conceived as well as well written, and the book bears evidence of your labour and thought to give correct interpretations and to remove misinterpretations in all disputed and difficult points You have done a great service to the cause of the true Religion of the Hindus by publishing this English version "

*Prof. S Radhakrishnan*, Vice-Chancellor, The Andhra University —" I read with the greatest interest your valuable gift of Advaita Philosophy As you may imagine, I appreciate very much your strenuous attempt to repudiate the popular view of the world-negating character of Sankara's philosophy What struck me most in your book apart from its wealth of learning, was your independence of mind which is rather rare among Indian thinkers of the present day "

*Professor Dr L. Stcherbolsky*, of Leningrad University, Russia —" I am full of admiration for your wonderful knowledge of Sankara, and I have profited a great deal from its perusal "

*Journal of the Royal Asiatic Society of Great Britain and Ireland*, July, 1926 —" The author is to be congratulated on having produced a very well-written and remarkably clear and able book dealing with a very thorny and difficult subject—the non-dualistic philosophy of the great Vedantist Sankara Mr Sastri has collected a large number of passages of great value and importance from the writings of Sankara and has expounded them with marked ability His treatment of Sankara's philosophical position is done with great skill . . . "

*The Magazine—Shia kyo ken-Vyn (Religious Research)*, Vol. III, Part 6, 1st November, 1926, of Tokyo University, Japan —" It seems that the author is an authority on the Vedanta system of Philosophy in the Calcutta University of India He has studied and mastered thoroughly the vast knowledge of the Sankara Philosophy The last two chapters are very interesting and give new light on the subject " (*Original in Japanese*)

*The Prager Presse* (A German Periodical) writes a lengthy review from which only some lines are given below —" One of the most important of such publications is 'An Introduction to Advaita Philosophy,' which distinguishes itself from the average publications of its kind in a considerable measure The author is conversant with all the minutest details of the subject, interprets it correctly and intelligently in a scientific method and his book is therefore a valuable contribution towards the right understanding of India's national philosophy One of the great merits of the book is the clearness of the representations and the synoptical arrangement of Sankara's Philosophy "

**Adwaitavad** (Bengali), by Kokileswar Sastri, Vidyaratna, M A (*Second Edition, revised and enlarged.*) Royal 8vo pp. 255 1926. Rs 3-8

In the present work the author has given an admirable exposition of the Vedantic theory of Adwaitavada in all its different aspects. The work consists of five chapters. In the first chapter, the nature of Nirgun Brahma and its relation to the world and the individual souls have been discussed and Sankara has been absolved from the charge of Pantheism. In Chapter II the nature of the individual Beings and Selves has been discussed. The fact that the Sankara school has not resolved the 'Individual' into qualities and states has been carefully examined. In Chapter III the author thoroughly discussed the doctrine of the 'Unreality of the Universe' and has attempted to prove that the Sankara school has not abolished the reality of the world. Chapter IV discusses the ethical theory, individual freedom, the Brahma-Sakshatkara, the 'contemplation of the Beautiful' and the final salvation in the transcendental goal. Here the relation between Karma and Jnana has been well brought out and bears the impress of originality. In Chapter V, an attempt has been made to trace the Mayavada of the Sankara school to the Rig-Veda as its original source. Numerous authoritative texts have been quoted at foot-notes enhancing the value of the book. No student of Philosophy ought to be without a copy of this book.

**The Philosophy of the Upanishads**, by Sureschandra Chakravarti, M A, B L, Advocate, High Court, Calcutta, Lecturer, Calcutta University. Royal 8vo pp 288 1935 Rs 4-0

**Studies in Post-Sankara Dialectics**, by Asutosh Bhattacharyya, Sastri, M A, Ph D. Royal 8vo pp 341 1936 Rs 4-0

In this volume an attempt has been made to give a systematic presentation of Post-Sankara dialectics of the Advaita-Vedanta. The main object of the dialectics as developed by the Neo-Vedantic teachers is to carry thought to perfection by a critical examination of the concepts and categories of the opposing sister schools as to expose their untenability on the ground of their inherent contradictions and autonomies.

The present volume comprises eight chapters bearing mainly on the epistemology of Post-Sankara thought. Of the eight chapters, the first three deal with the nature and validity of

knowledge and the next five are concerned mainly with an explanation of appearance and its implication from the standpoint of epistemology

**Ethics of the Hindus**, by Susilkumar Maitra, M A , Ph D  
Lecturer in Philosophy, Calcutta University Royal  
8vo pp. 370 1925 Rs. 4-8

In this book the author has tried to give a philosophical exposition of Hindu Ethical ideas. What he has attempted is an analytical exposition of Hindu Ethics as distinguished from the historical. One of the excellent features of the book is the comparisons between Indian and European Philosophers which the author has introduced in explaining concepts and ideas which are peculiar to the Hindus.

*Prof J H Murhead, M A , Ph D , University of California (late of Birmingham) —*“ I may say however how much I value the attempts of your book and others which have recently come under my scrutiny, notably Professor Radhakrishnan's histories, to make the Philosophies of India more accessible to English readers both in Great Britain and in America. We find, I think, great difficulty not only in the language but on account of the great multitude of thinkers and views and any efforts to reduce these to simplicity and make the study of them more attractive seem to me a real contribution to a better understanding between East and West. So far from agreeing with the critics you mention in your Preface that comparisons should be avoided, I think that the comparisons you introduce between Indian and European philosophers are an excellent feature of your book.

As more specific studies of aspects of philosophy yours seem to me to come well after more general ones like Professor Radhakrishnan's, and as more specific still of particular ethical tendencies or doctrines, will, I am sure, be welcomed.”

*Lord Haldane —*“ The work is an interesting outcome of much research into the subject. It has the advantage of being a philosophical exposition of Hindu ethical ideas, instead of a mere history of the succession of these forms. The comparison with western ideas on the subject I have found valuable.”

*Mahamahopadhyay Dr Ganganath Jha, M A , D.Litt , Vice Chancellor, University of Allahabad —*“ I have looked into the book ‘The Ethics of the Hindus’ by S K Maitra, and have much pleasure in bearing testimony to its excellence. It supplies a clear and pretty accurate account of the Hindu ethical conception in all its bearings. The weak point of the book however lies in the omission of references to the ‘original sources’ upon which the whole work is professedly, and very rightly, based. How keenly the want of such references is felt will be clear when we refer to page 186, where certain views of Prabhakara and Kumarila are expounded in terms so modernly scientific that one would like to compare the statement with the words of the old author. But this is an omission which becomes marked only like a spot of ink on a white piece of cloth, and one would not have noticed it if the work had not been otherwise most commendable. The author deserves to be congratulated on his work.”

*Prof E W Hopkins, of Yale University —*“ The subject is treated in a new light with great thoroughness and marked ability and is a very valuable addition to our knowledge of ethical authority and the bases recognised by the different schools of thought.”



*Prof A Berriedale Keith* of Edinburgh University —“ The work, I am glad to say, has substantial merits. It contains clear proof of wide reading, and of careful examination of the philosophical doctrines of the great systems of Indian Philosophy. Much of the material, if not precisely new, is presented under fresh aspects, and the book will be a valuable aid to those engaged in studying Indian Philosophy, both by reason of the positive value of the results and on account of the fruitful dissent which some of the opinions expressed will certainly evoke ”

*Journal of Philosophical Studies*, January, 1928 —“ We can congratulate the author upon the scholarly and comprehensive way in which he presents the systems of Hindu Ethics and shows their very solid foundation

“ Mr Maitra takes us over the main points of the psycho ethical analysis of Self, as propounded in the familiar systems of Indian philosophy (Sankhya, Yoga, Mimansa, Vedanta, Vaisheshika, Nyaya). This he does, not according to their historical sequence, but from a general human point of view regarding them all as manifestations of a uniform mentality. The value of this treatment cannot be overstated, for it leads us back to common principles as well as to self-analysis, two factors which are easily neglected by the student of religion and ethics. To derive a phenomenon from its antecedent does neither explain nor justify it completely, or as the author says, ‘ Continuity is not identity ’

“ The book presents a complete analysis of volition, conscience, purpose, virtue, and of the ethico spiritual ideal (in its typical Hindu aspect of *moksha* or emancipation) finishing with a thorough review of the moral standards in Hindu ethics. As the author quotes very extensively from authoritative Sanskrit sources, it is impossible to understand the discussion without a knowledge of Sanskrit, be it only in order to check the English translation of philosophical terms, in which the author has been quite successful

“ The book will be welcomed by all students of Indian philosophy ”

*James Bisset Pratt* in the *Philosophical Review*, July, 1927 —

“ Mr Maitra is one of the younger members of that group of Indian thinkers who in our day are attempting to make the philosophy of their country a living force. Almost as if by deliberate co-operation, works of a truly philosophical nature, in exposition of Indian thought as thought, have appeared from the pens of men like Babu Bhagavan Das, the late Mr Vasudeva Kirtikar, Mr Coomaraswamy, Mr Ranade, Professors Radhakrishnan and Dasgupta, not to mention less technical writers like Tagore and Muckerje. The book under review began as a thesis written in competition for a studentship in 1916, and after it had gained the award it was developed, over several years, into a book. It is based on a study of the original sources—no second hand paraphrase of others’ work—and its aim, like the aim of the other Indian writers to whom reference was made above, is essentially philosophical rather than historical. In this it differs from the excellent little book by Professor Hopkins bearing almost the same title (*Ethics of India*), which was published just one year before Mr Maitra’s. Both books are admirable in presentation and each succeeds in its chosen task. But, in spite of the similarity in the titles, the chosen tasks are different. And Mr Maitra, himself a Hindu in faith as well as in birth, is able to present Indian ethical philosophy with a conviction Professor Hopkins, with all his sympathy, could hardly feel, as having a just claim upon the acceptance of mankind

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“ It may be admitted, however, that the plan of exposition adopted serves to bring out certain important points in Indian thought and makes an excellent plan of presentation. Under ‘ Objective and Social Ethics ’ Mr Maitra arranges the various classifications of the duties, as dependent on caste and stage of life and upon the common nature of humanity,

expounding in turn the treatment of Manu, Prashastapada, the Mimamsa, and Ramanuja's view. In Part II are presented, with a good deal of skill, many of the subtle psychological distinctions made by various Hindu schools of thought in the analysis of volition, of conscience, and of the springs of action. To this second part is devoted the major portion of the book, and the reader will find within it an exposition of many points of Hindu psychology as well as of ethics not elsewhere available in English. Part III is much briefer, and rightly so, dealing as it does with a subject so much better known through European works—the ethico-spiritual ideal of the various schools, and the methods proposed by them for its realization. Lack of space forbids more detail in this very inadequate account of a valuable book. But in brief summary it should be said that Mr Maitra has shown himself a sound scholar and a careful and unprejudiced thinker, and that his book will be of real service to all those who would know more of the contribution which India has made to the study of morality.”

**Vedantaparibhasha**, edited by Mahamahopadhyay Ananta-krishna Sastri, Lecturer in Vedanta and Mimamsa, Calcutta University, with a Foreword by Prof. S Radhakrishnan, M A, King George V Professor of Mental and Moral Philosophy, Calcutta University. *Second and Enlarged Edition* Royal 8vo pp. 529 1930 Rs 6-0.

The work is a systematic exposition and defence of the Advaita theory of knowledge by Dharmarāja (17th century A D). It has eight chapters in which important problems of Advaita philosophy, such as the nature of the pramānas, grades of reality or to be more accurate, unreality, the relation of Brahman, Īśvara and Jīva, the nature and status of the world, the relation of māyā and avidyā, salvation and the way to attain it, have been discussed with great care and cleverness. The present edition contains the text as well as an excellent commentary (Paribhāṣā-Prakāśikā) by Mahamahopadhyay Pandit A K Sastri, who has attempted to interpret the Paribhāṣā in a most lucid way with pertinent illustrations and has critically discussed the views of the different schools of Advaitavada. The book will prove of immense value to Tols and Colleges where Vedanta Philosophy is studied.

**Advaita Brahmasiddhi** (in Devanagari), by Kasmiraka Śrī Sadananda Yati, with critical notes of Vamana Shastri and Mahamahopadhyay Gurucharan Tarkadarsantīrtha. Revised by Mahamahopadhyay Gurucharan Tarkadarsantīrtha and Pandit Panchanan Tarkavagis. Demy 8vo pp 315 + 32 1932 Rs 3-12

**Some Aspects of the Doctrines of Maitreya(natha) and Asanga**, by Prof. G. Tucci (*Readership Lectures delivered at the University*) Demy 8vo pp. 83 1930 Re 1-8

**The Historical Socrates and the Platonic Form of the Good** (*Readership Lectures for 1930*), by A. D. Lindsay, LL.D., Master of Balliol College, Oxford. Demy 8vo pp. 33 As. 4

**The Basic Conception of Buddhism** (*Adharchandra Mookerjee Lectures, 1932*), by Mahamahopadhyaya Pandit Vidhusekhara Bhattacharyya Demy 8vo pp. 109 1934 Re 1-12

An attempt has been made here to show that while the sages of the Upanishads advocated the doctrine of Atman for the cessation of sufferings which arise from desire, the Buddha took a very bold step and propounded the theory of Anatman, and yet arrived at the same destination, starting from an opposite direction

*Prof. A. B. Dhruva*, Pro-Vice-Chancellor, Hindu University, writes —  
 "It is a scholarly work" The book is written in a very lucid and erudite style "

*Mahamahopādhyāya Dr. Ganganath Jha*, of Allahabad University, writes —  
 "this small book has given me a clearer idea of Buddhism than any other book. This book is fully 'documented' and yet written in a popular style—a rather rare combination "

*Dr. M. Winternitz*, of Prague University, Czecho-Slovakia, writes —  
 "It is a pleasure to follow the author who is equally at home in the philosophical literature of Brahmanism as in both the Buddhist Pali and Sanskrit literatures, in tracing the main ideas of Buddhism back to their Bahmanic sources "

*Dr. M. Walleser*, Heidelberg —  
 " .. according to my modest opinion—a considerable step towards a universal and at the same time harmonious understanding of Buddhism with its bewildering aspects of seeming incongruity. I readily confess having learnt a lot of things from the luminous statements of the revered author "

*A. Berriedale Keith* of the Edinburgh University, writes —  
 "The work is a very clear and effective exposition of one view of the Anātman doctrine, and will be most useful on that account "

*E. J. Thomas*, Deputy Librarian of the Cambridge University, writes —  
 "written with a wide knowledge and mastery of the original sources, a direct treatment written from a quite independent standpoint, and so free from the traditional accretions of modern theories "

## VI. ECONOMICS, POLITICS, COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

**The Theory of Profits**, by P. C. Ghosh, M.A., Lecturer in Economics in the University of Calcutta Demy 8vo pp. 464. 1933 Rs. 7-8

1 It analyses the various theories of profit and examines their fundamental assumptions

2 It maintains that pure profit is merely an analytical concept of surplus, based upon an arbitrary standard of calculating business costs

3 It argues that the risk theory simply states the problem of pure profit and does not present its solution

4 It brings out the limitations of the marginal productivity theory of distribution and indicates why it cannot explain the nature nor determine the amount of the businessman's income

5 It points out that the peculiarity of profit lies in the indirect method of earning the income and not in the nature of the services that help, industrially or financially, to turn out a product.

6 It contends that the nature of profit cannot be fruitfully described as a surplus, nor can it be regarded as a result of the industrial process. It is the outcome of the mercantile processes involved in the modern organisation of production

7 It represents profit as the indirect return that a property brings to its owner for the labour or capital employed by him in acquiring it exclusively

It emphasises the importance of profit in the maintenance of industrial equilibrium and indicates the sources from which disequilibrium may possibly ensue

No branch of economic theory is more in need of clarification, both for scientific and practical reasons, than the theory of profit. Mr. Ghosh's book is accordingly opportune and valuable. It begins with a thorough, lucid and accurate account of all the main theories of profit so far put forward. Mr. Ghosh then works out his own analysis, and reaches conclusions which are interesting and in some degree original. Profit, he argues, is 'secured as the combined effect' of the business man's 'skill both in production-purchase and sale'. It is to be explained by the virtually 'mercantile nature of his social functions as a whole'. Mr. Ghosh also examines profits as a casual factor in the dynamic economic process. The book as a whole is a pointed reminder how far the analysis of profits has been carried by modern economics since the classical 'surplus' theory on which Marx founded his system.—

—*The Times Literary Supplement*

" . . . This book is worth reading. It indicates the bewildering variety of meanings given by economists to the concept *profit*. It shows that the profit-share cannot be considered adequately before one establishes a complete distribution theory. And, closely related to this point, it also indicates that profit as a distinctive income-share must be considered as an income-share related to all other income-shares taken together"—*The Journal of Political Economy*

" His [Mr Ghosh's] exposition is lucid and his analysis interesting and penetrating, and in places original"—*The Economic Journal*

*J. M. Keynes, Esq, M A, C B*—"I saw enough of your work, and took part in enough discussions with you to be quite clear in my own mind that you had made a great deal of progress towards the heart of this difficult and fascinating theory"

*Prof J. A. Schumpeter, J U D, Ph D, University of Harvard*—"I believe the starting point—the idea of the 'indirect return'—to be a happy one, and the general structure of the argument to be sound. The book is certainly a very good performance and ought to conquer a place for you in the scientific profession"

*M. H. Dobb, Esq, M A., Lecturer in Economics, Cambridge University*—"I certainly think that you have got one or two central ideas of very considerable value in your book, and your general survey of theories of profits is interesting and useful"

*Dr P. Sraffa, Lecturer in Economics, Cambridge University*—"A respectable piece of work and some original contribution"

**Wages and Profit-sharing** (with a Chapter on Indian conditions), by R. N. Gilchrist, M A, sometime Labour Intelligence Officer, Government of Bengal. Royal 8vo pp 424 1924 Rs 7-0

This book deals with three subjects. The first part is taken up with a description of the various systems of wage payment, *viz*, the time wage, the piece-work wage, premium bonus systems, systems of payment connected with scientific management and other systems. The second part deals with profit-sharing and co-partnership in the United Kingdom and other countries and is an exhaustive analysis of the principles underlying them. The third part of the book deals with general conditions of Indian labour, industrial peace in India and the payment of wages in India with special reference to payment in kind. Tea garden and colliery labour is dealt with in some detail. Finally there are two appendices one dealing with a comparative study of recent legislation on conciliation and arbitration and also of trade-boards and works councils and the other giving *in extenso* the proposals of the Government of India regarding trade disputes and trade unions.

" The author, who is a graduate of the Aberdeen University, has already revealed his skill in this class of work in a volume on 'Conciliation and Arbitration'. His writing is characterised by lucidity and reflects a wide and comprehensive knowledge of the subjects with which he deals. "—*The Aberdeen Press and Journal*, Feb 24, 1925

‘ An exhaustive inquiry into the questions of wages, profit-sharing and co partnership ’—*The Statist*, London, May 16, 1925

“ This careful and comprehensive piece of work is in fact a dictionary of profit-sharing, though the author does not reach his main subject till after some rather long-winded chapters on the methods of paying wages. He then examines the countries of the world in turn, notices what profit sharing schemes have been established, their scope and measure of success. This is the most valuable part of the book, but the most interesting is certainly the appendix on Indian conditions. Mr Gilchrist shows how different these are from those of this country, and advises great caution in applying British factory legislation to India ”—*Times Literary Supplement*, London

**Factory Legislation in India**, by J C Kydd, M A. Royal  
8vo pp 198 Rs. 4-8

This publication discusses the conditions and terms of employment of factory labour by tracing a history of the Factory Acts since 1802

Contents The first Indian Factory Act—The Bombay Factory Commission of 1884-85—Interest in Indian Factory Labour in the United Kingdom—The Indian Factory Commission of 1890 and the Act of 1891—Controversy between Trade Rivals—Night work—The Textile Factories Labour Committee of 1906—The Indian Factory Labour Commission of 1908 and the Act of 1911—The Indian and British Factory Acts—The International Labour Conference and the Indian Factory Act—The Indian Factories Acts, 1881 and 1911

**Regulations of Jail Labour.** Demy 8vo pp 14 As 6

This booklet presents Government opinion on the subject of Jail Industries in British India, with special reference to their competition with similar industries carried on by private enterprises

**History of Police Organisation in India** (Being select chapters of the Report of the Indian Police Commission, 1902-03) Demy 8vo pp 53 As 12

The book shows how from its earliest stages the working of the Police has come up to what it is to-day and what part it plays in establishing order in the society and what further improvements it requires for the betterment of social relationship

**Man and Machine Power in War and Reconstruction**, by Capt J W Petavel, R E (Retd.), sometime Lecturer on the Poverty Problem, Calcutta University, with a Foreword by Sir Asutosh Mookerjee, Kt., C S I. Demy 8vo pp. 164. 1918 Re 1-8.

In this book the author has tried to solve the great poverty problem by showing how the economic condition of the country can be improved by machine-power, only when individuals, for whose benefit it is applied, co-operate and how man-power serves little purpose without the aid of machine-power

**Self-Government and the Bread Problem**, by the same author. Demy 8vo pp 128 *Second Edition* (Board-bound.) 1921 Re 1-8

Do (Cloth-bound) Re. 1-14.

The work is a series of four lectures on Poverty Problem delivered in the Calcutta University

The fundamental fact dealt with in this book is that industrial progress having rendered very great use of unskilled labour possible, the foundation of a co-operative organisation might be laid with the young to their own immense advantage The book solves problems of the greatest moment to the State

**Non-Co-operation and the Bread Problem**, by the same author Demy 8vo pp 23 1921 As 6

This booklet is the first lecture of a series delivered in the Calcutta University, with appendices

In this treatise the author presents his views with regard to economic organisation and shows how it can help industrial development of the country benefiting the masses

**Economic Causes of Famines in India** (*Beereswar Mitter Medal, 1905*), by Satischandia Ray, M A Rs 4-4 (*Out of Print*).

The causes of famine and remedies against it have been elaborately discussed in this book and statistical information adduced shewing the financial effect of the calamity and its relation to mortality The author shows by facts and arguments

as also by quoting several extracts from official records that true remedies lie in the hands of Government

**Agricultural Indebtedness in India and its Remedies**, by  
Satischandia Ray, M A    Royal 8vo pp 493    Rs 7-0

It treats of Indian economic problems in one of their aspects, the materials being collected from old and inaccessible Blue Books, proceedings of Legislative Councils, and Government Reports and Publications. The compilation is designed to be a source-book and guide for advanced students and teachers who desire to prosecute a special study of Indian Economics

Contents Chapter I—Indebtedness of the Land-holding Classes Chapter II—Grant of Loans and Advances to Agriculturists Chapter III—Relief of Indebted Agriculturists Chapter IV—Restrictions on the Alienation of Lands Chapter V—Provision of Borrowing Facilities

**Land Revenue Administration in India**, by Satischandia Ray, M A    Royal 8vo pp 142    Rs 2-13

Compiled from red-letter reports of the five major provinces of India revised by the Governments. The book deals with matters of immense interest to a great majority of the population of India. Apart from its purely financial aspect, the book is of great importance from the social and political point of view

**Rural Self-Government in Bengal**, by Dr Nareschandia Roy, M A , Ph D.    Royal 8vo pp 213    Rs 2-4

In this book an account has been given regarding the growth of the rural local bodies of Bengal, *e g* , the Union Boards, Local Boards and District Boards together with their constitution, functions and finances

**Problems of Rural India**, by Prof N Gangulee, B Sc , Ph D (London), sometime Professor of Agriculture, Calcutta University, Member of the Royal Commission on Indian Agriculture    Royal 8vo pp 166    1928  
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The work is a collection of Lectures delivered in India and England on the following subjects —

- 1 Problem of Increased Food Production in India
- 2 The Need for the Study of Agricultural Economics in India



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**Wealth and Welfare of the Bengal Delta** (*Thesis approved for the Degree of Doctor of Science in the University of London*), by S G Panandikar, M.A., Ph.D.  
Royal 8vo pp 372    1926    Rs 5-0

The author has examined and analysed in detail the economic life of the Bengal Delta in all its aspects and has shown that its economic conditions are gradually tending to approximate more and more to those in the West. He has also suggested practical remedies for the defects in the economic organization of the Delta. It is not only a valuable work to the student of economics, but is also expected to be of great help to the politician and the administrator.

**Ancient System of Irrigation in Bengal**, by Sir William Willcocks    Demy 8vo pp 134    Re 1-8

**Lectures on Indian Railway Economics**, by S C Ghose, sometime Lecturer, Calcutta University, late General Manager of the B K, A K, K F, and B D R Rys; and also for some time Special Officer with the Railway Board, Government of India, Railway Department

Part I    (*Second Edition, thoroughly revised.*)  
Demy 8vo pp 132    1927    Rs 2-0

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A comprehensive idea of Railway economics, Railway rates, Railway finance and of all up-to-date Railway problems, such as State vs Company management, grouping of railways, train and traffic control, coal traffic transportation, and loco coal contracts

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These lectures are essentially practical, and students who peruse them carefully will, undoubtedly, gain considerable insight into the various problems confronting railway working in India. —*Modern Transport*, June 4, 1928

**Organization of Railways**, by the same author Demy  
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In this book the author has discussed in great detail the systems of Railway Organization in India and in other countries and has made valuable suggestions regarding the proper division of responsibility among all branches of the railway operating departments. It is an interesting treatise and is expected to help readers to understand properly the very complex problems of the Indian Railways.

**Development of Indian Railways**, by Nalinaksha Sanyal,  
M A., Ph D (Lond) Royal 8vo pp xvi + 397. 1930  
Rs. 5-0.

In this book the author has dealt historically and critically with the policy, finances, management, rates and fares, law, and traffic and working results, etc., of Indian Railways, from the beginning up to 1928-29, and has indicated the lines along which improvements are called for. It is the most comprehensive and up-to-date work on Indian Railways, as approved by the University of London for the degree of Ph D (Ex) in Economics, 1929.

"It is a well-informed and excellently written treatise which will amply repay the study of anyone interested in the subject of Indian railway development." —*Great Western Railway Magazine*, Feb 1931

**Protection for Indian Steel**, by E H Solomon, B A  
(Cantab), sometime Scholar of King's College, Cambridge; Professor of Political Economy, Presidency College, Calcutta, and Benares Hindu University  
Royal 8vo pp 120. Rs 5-0.

The problems dealt with in the book are —Is protection necessary? Marginal vs high protection. Comparative costs

of production    The conditions for Imperial preference    Methods and extent of Protection    Bounties and import duties    Subsidiary industries and their treatment

**Elementary Banking**, by B Ramachandra Rau, M A L T , Ph D (Second Edition, thoroughly revised and enlarged) Demy 8vo pp 367 1934 Rs 4-0

This book gives a clear idea of a Commercial Bank and its theory and estimates the economic importance of their operations, viz, Bank deposits, Note-issue, Drafts, Discounts, Loans and Advances, Investments and Acceptances. It will be a very useful book for commercial students who desire to understand the work of a bank—how it obtains its capital, how that capital is employed, how profits arise and are distributed and how again a Commercial Bank fails

"It is clear and concise"—*The American Economic Review*

"A valuable handbook on Indian Banking"—*The United Provinces Co operative Journal*

**Economics of Leather Industry**, by the same author  
Demy 8vo pp. 194 1926. Rs 2-8.

In this book the author makes a careful economic survey of the existing sources of supply and deals with the economic importance of leather, causes of the decline of the indigenous leather industry, the export trade of raw hides and skins and the possibilities of successful leather industry in this country. The book contains valuable suggestions for the improvement of the raw material on which the economic life of various branches of leather industry depends

"The series of the articles ought to be read generally by all interested in the industries and commerce of India and particularly by those who are concerned with the leather industry and business"—*Modern Review*, April, May, June, 1925

"The author is to be congratulated upon producing a clear and complete exposition of the Indian trade and of India's raw materials, resources and the characteristics of them. The information it furnishes will be interesting and valuable to the leather trade universally and the work forms an important addition to the trade's technical literature"—*The Leather Trades Review*, 10th February, 1926

"The very able and practical monograph—his summary of suggestions deserves to be translated into the leading vernaculars of the country"—*The Mysore Economic Journal*

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'The Book is altogether interesting and suggestive and would repay reading'—*The Indian Journal of Economics*

Prof. Rau's volume is a great deal more than a mere academic treatise. He keeps himself in close contact with the market-place and is therefore able to offer a number of suggestions which will certainly serve to stimulate the interest of those connected with the trade in the hitherto unexplored possibilities of the leather industry in India. The appendices undoubtedly enhance the intent of the book. We commend this book to businessmen and students alike.—*The United Provinces Co-operative Journal*, July, 1926

### **Inland Transport and Communication in Mediæval India,**

by Bijoykumar Sarkar, A B (Harvard), Lecturer in Economics, Calcutta University. Royal 8vo pp 91 1925 Re 1-12

The object of this book is to study the methods of inland transport and communication in mediæval India, roughly from the 11th to the 18th century A D. In the preparation of this work, the chronicles of Mahomedan historians and the accounts of foreign travellers have been the author's principal sources of information.

W. H. Moreland —“ I have read Mr. Sarkar's book on Inland Transport with much interest, and I may say that, speaking generally, the method strikes me as sound and the execution satisfactory.”

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'Adequate and useful study of Transportation. It is a useful service to gather the scattered references and organise the material in a systematic statement'—*American Economic Review*

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**Paper Currency in India,** by B. B. Dasgupta, M A, Ph D (Cal), B Sc (Econ), (London), Reader Lucknow University. Demy 8vo pp 332 1927 Rs 1-0

The whole monetary organisation of India is at present being discussed and examined by the public as it never was before, and it is to be hoped that this book which deals exhaustively with our Paper Currency will

incidentally also with many other phases of our monetary system will be carefully read by many of the public and will enlighten and guide their judgment. The author has shown in his handling of his thesis, originality of thought and treatment and his work is based on careful and painstaking research. I have read with special interest, attention and instruction the last chapter dealing with the recommendations of the Royal Commission on Indian Currency and Finance. I only wish that many more critics of that Report possessed the scholarly erudition and the well-balanced judgment of our author."—*From the Foreword by Prof Sir J C Coyajee, Kt, I.E.S*

'Dr Dasgupta deserves the gratitude of all students of Indian Economics and those engaged in currency controversies for having, for the first time, singled out the whole theory and system of Indian paper currency for a clear analytic treatment, shorn of the many non economic issues that rightly or wrongly have been allowed to clog it

The suggestions he makes are marked by a balanced and sound judgment and deserve careful consideration"—*Modern Review*, December, 1927

**Some Bengal Villages**, an economic survey, edited by N. C. Bhattacharyya, M.A., B.L., and L. A. Natesan, M.A., B.L., with a Foreword by Sir Daniel Hamilton, Kt. Royal 8vo pp 236 Rs 3-0.

The village surveys contained in this volume are the results of the students' efforts. The data will be of some use in stimulating original investigations into the rural conditions of Bengal.

**Water Supplies in Bengal**, by Nisikanta Ray, B.A., pp. 175 (5½" × 7½"). 1936. Re. 1-12

**Land Problems of India**, by Radhakamal Mukherjee, M.A., Ph.D. Demy 8vo pp. 369. Rs. 5-0.

This book directs attention to the difficult problems that have daily to be faced by the Indian peasant and calls for reforms which would include a modified State landlordism—a new Zamindari system paving the way for a real agricultural partnership between landlord and tenant—and a rehabilitated village community.

Dr Radhakamal Mukherjee has in this book used historical and comparative methods in dealing with different types of landholding and village structure and with their economic effects in India. Methods of investigation such as those of Vinogradoff have been followed in tracing the development of clan, caste and communal distribution and village settlement in India. Thus the book is an important contribution to Indian village origins and its approaches from the angles of comparative ethnology and economic history materially supplement Baden-Powell's treatment of the subject.

Even more important is its contribution towards understanding the complexities of the present land system and land unsettlement in India. The supersession of customary rights of peasants by landlord tenures and by the

State, their economic weakness due to fractionalisation, the unfair distribution of the burden of taxation, the multiplication of rent receivers, tenants and agricultural labourers, and the ease and frequency of transfers of land from cultivators to middle and money-lending classes—all these betoken an agrarian crisis in the country. Professor Mukherjee's scheme of agrarian reform includes the modification of the Zamindari system and its approximation to share tenancy as in Italy and Japan, grant of permanence and heritability to all grades of tenants, a drastic reduction of sub-letting and sub-infeudation, restriction of borrowing, mortgage and transfer, compulsory restripment and consolidation of holdings, exemption of undersized holdings from rent and revenue enhancement, a progressive rate of taxation of agricultural income, weighing heavily upon landlords, lessees, and all kinds of intermediaries, redemption and settlement of unsecured debts of agriculturists, abolition of usurious rates of interest and the establishment of debt conciliation and land courts in the villages.

Dr Mukherjee is keenly alive to the changes in agrarian policy foreshadowed in the New Constitution when the peasantry will gain political power, and in the economic democracy, the first stirrings of which are visible in widespread peasant unrest and tenant revolt. He records the social and political reactions of the agrarian problem and concludes with a warning that to delay reform, whether from fear of angering vested interests, or from apathy towards the unvocal classes, is to sow the seeds of revolution.

**The Rights and Duties of the Indian Citizen** (*Second Series of Kamala Lectures*), by the Rt Hon'ble Mr Srinivasa Sastri, P.C. Demy 8vo pp 126 1927 Re 1-8

**The Constitutional System of India**, by Nareschandra Roy, M.A., Ph.D. Demy 8vo pp 386 1937 Rs 2-8

In this book an examination has been made of the constitutional organisation as created by the Government of India Act, 1935. In order that the system inaugurated may be clearly understood, a short and rapid account of the constitutional development since the conferment of the Dewani has been prefixed.

**Public Administration in India**, (Lectures delivered before the University of Calcutta in 1926-27), by Akshaya K. Ghose, B.A.-at-Law, sometime Professor of Law, History and Politics. Royal 8vo pp xxi+743. Excellent get-up and full cloth binding 1930 Rs 10-0

The book deals with every aspect of the Government of India in action. In it the author endeavours to examine and analyse in detail every aspect of the last Reforms, from a purely academic point of view, and to assess their proper constitutional value. It is the only work of its kind. A work of years of study and research, the book in itself is more complete and altogether



covers a wider area than any book hitherto published dealing with the same subject so as to be recognised as the most authoritative and accurate work on the Government of India in motion

*Prof A Berrisdale Keith* —“ a very clear and careful exposition a sound and thoughtful work which should be easily understood among wide circles of persons interested in understanding the actual constitution of India ”

*Prof Edward Jenks* —“ I shall derive great benefit from its learning and accuracy And I desire to congratulate the University and the learned author heartily on the production of this monumental work ”

*Prof Ernest Barker* (Professor of Political Science in the University of Cambridge) —“ I should like to say that when we make the development of the Government of India since 1858 a subject of study in one of our Triposes here, I am sure that Mr Ghose's book will be a useful book for reference for our students ”

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*Prof J H Morgan* —“ I have already formed the conclusion that it is a most valuable contribution to a subject which has never been adequately dealt with Mr Ghose's work is the very book which all of us who are interested in constitutional developments in India have been waiting for ”

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*Hindu* (Madras) —“ has placed all those who are desirous of a sane, detailed and descriptive account under indebtedness a work of great utility ”

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**History of Political Thought** (From Rammohun to Dayananda, 1821-84), Vol I Bengal, by Bimanbihari Majumdar, M A, Premchand Roychand Scholar Demy 8vo pp 518. 1934 Rs 4-8

In this book the author traces the ultimate growth of abstract political ideas in British India through a history of the activities of Indian political organizations and of the changing critical attitudes of Indian public men towards the Indo-British administration. The political ideas and theories of the greatest leaders of the Bengal thought in the pre-Congress era have been presented here for the first time in a compact and comprehensive form so as to enable the general readers as well as the statesmen and administrators to come to a better and quicker understanding of the trend of current politics.

*Marquess of Zetland* — "I should like to congratulate you upon having produced a volume of great interest and value. I think that the chapter which interested me more than any other was the one on Bankim Chandra Chatterjee, for whom I have always had a great admiration. I hope that your volume will receive from the public the recognition which it deserves."

*Rt Hon Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru* — "I have found it extremely interesting and informing. I feel that your book will be very useful in giving the present generation of politicians some idea of the men who gave impetus to political thought in India in those far off days."

*Dr A Berrisdale Keith* — "Contains a vast amount of information which is not familiar to students of political ideas even though well versed in western literature, and it is expressed with admirable lucidity. Moreover the author shows judgment and restraint in marked degree when dealing with matters of controversial type."

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*Dr Helmuth von Glasenapp* (Konigsberg University) — "An excellent piece of work and I read it with the greatest interest."

*The Hindu Educational and Literary Supplement* (Madras January, 1935) — "Mr Majumdar must be admitted as having rendered a real service to politicians and students by collecting evidence of continued and intense political thinking during the formative period of Indian nationalism. His work will prove a valuable work of reference, the fruit of wide reading and assiduous research."

*Dr S K De* (Dacca University) — "It is full and enlightening, very lucidly expressed, covering all important parts of the subject, and gives an attractive and interesting summary not only of the views of the principal thinkers of the period but also of their personalities revealed in their thought."

From the leading editorial article entitled "The Growth of Indian Nationalism" in the *Amrita Bazar Patrika*, Sept 27, 1934. "The history of the beginning of our national life has for the first time been published with all the antecedent factors and tendencies contributing toward it by Prof Bimanbihari Majumdar, M A, P R S of Patna in his masterly

work, 'History of Political Thought'. From the standpoint of Indian nationalism Prof Maumdar's book will be considered as having a perennial interest for the reader—a book that amply testifies to the writer's industry and sober scholarship. A few weeks ago Mr Syamaprasad Mookerjee, the new Vice Chancellor of the Calcutta University, gave expression to his desire of bringing the University into closer contact with the public life of the country. Prof Maumdar's work may be taken as the first step in that direction."

*The Hindustan Review*, January, 1935 " Prof Maumdar has elaborately discussed the history of political organisations in India since 1935. Wrong dates about the Landholders' Society and the British Indian Society given in 'Political India' edited by Sir John Cumming (p 33) should be revised in the light of the correct information supplied by the author in pp 177-185 of this book. We must thank the author for his having taken so much trouble for utilizing for his work the original sources gathered from place to place. Reading old and brittle papers and manuscripts require great patience and skill which the author has fairly exhibited. His style is lucid and expression attractive, and the book being devoid of dull technicalities and also being sometimes enlivened by touches of humour will be pleasant reading for all, whether specialists or general readers."

From the Leaderette in the *Ananda Bazar Patrika*, 30th Sept, 1934  
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*The Modern Review*, March, 1935 In spite of the qualities of scholarship which appear almost on every page the book is not heavy reading. The author deserves our thanks for writing the first comprehensive account of our political consciousness in the interesting period of its germination.

*The Calcutta Municipal Gazette*, June 15, 1935 'As a background of the present political history of India, it is unquestionably valuable, both for foreigners and Indians themselves.'

*The Statesman* (May 12, 1935)—The book is valuable not only because it brings together much that is of interest and much that has been collected with great care, but because it forms an interesting commentary—albeit indirectly—on the politics of our own time.

## VII. LAW

**The Evolution of Law**, by Nareschandra Sen Gupta, M A., D L., Advocate, Calcutta High Court. Royal 8vo pp 191. 1925. Rs. 2-8.

In this work the author gives a systematic treatment of historical and comparative jurisprudence on the basis of the most

up-to-date knowledge of ancient laws and the laws and institutions of retarded races. The work is designed as an introduction to the study of the subject which is treated simply and in broad outline. But it is not a mere collection of the views of other scholars. While the opinions of all standard authorities on the main topics of evolutionary jurisprudence are given, the author has given many new interpretations of facts and has put forward some strikingly new opinions. A remarkable feature of the work is the ample use of materials taken from a historical study of Hindu Law which has hitherto received far less attention than it deserved in connection with questions of evolutionary jurisprudence. This has led the author to formulate new theories of the forms of family organisation, marriage and kinship, law of procedure, of crimes, of the origin of property and of contract and a strikingly original theory of the law of Descent, which, it is hoped, will be found worthy of consideration by scholars. Contrary to accepted views, the author traces the origin of laws of inheritance to donations *mortis causa* or at the time of renunciation and thus establishes the primacy of testamentary over intestate succession. In an appendix the author gives a discussion of the history of the Hindu Joint Family Law which throws much new light on the subject. As the author points out in the preface, the state of our knowledge of the subject being what it is, it is impossible to systematise the existing knowledge of the subject without a certain measure of theorising on one's own account. This the author has done on a large scale and in the treatment of every topic dealt with by him there are new thoughts and interesting new points of view presented which will furnish food for reflection.

**The Problems of Aerial Law**, by Bijankumar Mukherjee,  
M A , D L Demy 8vo pp. 255 1925 Rs 2-8.

The work is a thesis approved for the Degree of Doctor of Law. It is divided into four chapters —

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*Chapter II —Sovereignty of the Air* Here the author has examined minutely the different theories that have been put forward by different jurists and has suggested all possible arguments that could be advanced either for or against them.

*Chapter III —Principles of International Law relating to the Air Space* This chapter has been subdivided into two parts. In the first part the author has analysed and examined in detail the 45 articles contained in the Air Navigation Convention of 1919 and has suggested alterations wherever the provisions ap-

peared to him to be unsound in principle or unworkable in practice. The other part, which deals with questions of war and neutrality, is much more speculative in nature and the author has built up the law with such materials as were furnished by the analogy of the existing usages of maritime warfare and the practices of the combatants in the last great European War.

*Chapter IV.—Principles of Municipal Law relating to the Air Space.* In this chapter the author's principal effort has been to establish that a perfectly consistent theory affording a complete solution of the several problems of private law that arise in connection with the use of air space may be constructed from the principles of English Common Law as they have been applied by English and American Courts.

**Effect of War on Contracts** (*Onauth Nauth Deb Prize, 1917*), by Praphullachandra Ghosh, M A , B L Demy 8vo pp 152 Rs 4-8

The book describes at length the changes brought about by the last European War in the commercial and financial relations of nations and individuals.

**Trading with the Enemy** (*Onauth Nauth Deb Prize, 1918*), by A C Gupta, M A , B L Demy 8vo pp 146 Rs 4-8

The volume deals with the general principles of the law (according to the English Common Law) of Trading with the Enemy to which the last European War lent interest and prominence.

**Legal Aspects of Strikes** (*Onauth Nauth Deb Prize, 1919*), by Prabodhchandra Ghosh, M A , B L Demy 8vo pp. 61 Rs 2-4 (*Out of Print*)

In the opinion of the author, concerted movements of labour analogous to strikes are as old as history itself. In dealing with the history of strikes he, therefore, traces their origin and course not only from a legal point of view but also from a historical standpoint and discusses the remedial measures in the light of the condition of labour in other countries.

**Occupancy Right—Its History and Incidents** (*Onauth Nauth Deb Prize*), by Radhakraman Mookerjee, B L , Vakil, Calcutta High Court, Author of the *Law of Benami* Demy 8vo pp 436 Rs 6-0.

The work contains a history of Land Tenure in India from the earliest Vedic age and traverses practically most of the important and relevant portions of the Bengal Tenancy Act as explained in the leading cases on the subject, and indicates the basic principles thereof

**Position of Women in Hindu Law**, by Dwarka Nath Mitra, M A , D L., ex-Judge, High Court, Calcutta. Demy 8vo pp 758 Rs. 12-0

The work is a thesis approved for the Degree of Doctor of Law in the University of Calcutta. It is generally based on original research as well as on the results achieved by previous writers on Hindu Law. It traces historically the various stages in the development of the position of women in Hindu Law.

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*Chapter VI—Proprietary Rights of Women—Stridhan—*  
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of Stridhan, etc

*Chapter VII—Status of Courtesans and Dancing Guls—*  
Concubines tolerated by Hindu Law—Rules governing status of  
dancing guls

**The Theory of Adoption** (*Jogendrachandra Ghosh Prize, 1909*), by Pandit Durvasula Srinama Sastri, B A , M L  
Demy 8vo pp 59 Rs 3-12

It discusses the origin and merits of the theory of adoption  
in a Hindu family

**Separation of Executive and Judicial Functions**, by R N  
Gilchrist, M A Demy 8vo pp 244. Rs. 4-0

**The Hindu Philosophy of Law**, by Radhabinod Pal, M A ,  
D L Demy 8vo pp 176 Rs 6-0 (*Out of Print*)

In this book the author has directed his efforts mainly to-  
wards an unfolding of early Hindu fundamental conception of  
law and has confined himself to the Vedic and post-Vedic times  
prior to the Institutes of Manu. The second, third, fourth and  
fifth chapters particularly, which relate to an enquiry into the  
philosophical conceptions of Law, contain original matters,  
treated in an original way

*Prof. Elmer Balogh* says — ' I have already had the pleasure of reading  
your book, with the greatest profit to myself. They are the fruits of  
very old civilisation from which the western civilisation has and will  
borrow much '

**Law of Primogeniture** (*Tagore Law Lectures delivered in  
the Calcutta University in 1925*), by Radhabinod Pal,  
M A , D L Royal 8vo pp 556 1930 Rs 12-0.

In these lectures the author has traced the origin and  
growth of primogeniture in various countries. The bulk of the  
volume, however, is devoted to tracing the development of the  
law in India and for this purpose the author having started from  
the remotest times has fully examined how these various rules  
attained their present state. He has also discussed in this  
volume all possible modern problems and has dealt with the  
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“ The work is divided into two parts. In the first part the author, who is a lecturer in Sanskrit of the Calcutta University, has sifted the theory of the different grammarians on the origin of the Sanskrit language. It is known that the language had with the Hindus become very early a subject of very deep study. We can recognize, from the morphology of the text of the Vedas and from the *Pratisakhya*s and Yaska's *Nirukta* as well as from the later Paninian *Astadhyaya* and Patanjali's *Mahabhasya*, that in India also the question whether language has been given to mankind by the will of God (*isvareccha*) or has originated as a product of human ingenuity has been discussed. But Mr P C Chakrabarti has anew shown that even the old Hindu theoreticians as Yaska and others were very well aware of the difference between the literary language and the spoken tongue, and that the so-called Sanskrit had been at a certain period a language really spoken, but later it was spoken by the educated class only as it asserts itself from the assertion of Patanjali. The author also rightly discusses about the relation of the Vedic tongue to Sanskrit, of the relation of Sanskrit to the pre-Sanskrit languages, and about the intrusion of foreign words into Sanskrit. But the assertion that the Prakritic languages have originated directly from Sanskrit (*vide* p 131) is not right. Certain pre-Sanskrit forms as the Nominative Plural Masculine, Prakrit *-aho* (Pali *-ase*), Instrumental Singular *a* in the *a* stem, Instrumental Plural Prakrit *-ehin* (Pali *-ehu*), the Pronominal form *ambe*, etc., have shown that Sanskrit is a sister tongue of the Prakrit languages.

“ In the second part the author discusses semantics. Indian grammarians beginning already with Yaska had regarded not only the form of the word, but the meaning as well. The Indian grammarians also have considered the relation of the word and its significance, whether the significance is in the word as its inherent power (*saktih*) or it has been assigned to it by some will (*sanketena*). Already Bhartrihari's *Vakya-padiyam* stipulates that the uncertain significance of the word issues from (1) sentence, (2) coherence, (3) meaning, (4) propriety, (5-6) place and time (*vakyad*, *prakaranad*, *arthad*, *aucityad*, *desakalatah*). Thus, if we at meal-time say *sandhavam anaya*, it is evident we are asking for salt, although, *sandharah* means horse as well.

'The author then discusses the change of significance, synonyms, the transferring of meaning and of accident, always on the basis of the conclusions of Hindu theoreticians. The treatise is plain reading, almost without misprints, and it is a very valuable supplement to Sanskrit grammatical study.'

**Elements of the Science of Language**, by I J S Taraporewala, B.A., Ph.D. Demy 8vo pp 520 Rs. 10-0

*(Out of Print Revised edition is in the press.)*

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**Bangla Bhasha-Tattwa Bhumika** (*Introduction to Bengali Linguistics in Bengali*), by Sunit Kumar Chatterji, M.A. (Calcutta), D.Lit. (London), F.R.A.S.B., Khaira Professor of Indian Linguistics and Phonetics, Calcutta University. Third Edition, revised and enlarged. Size 5½" x 4½", pp 233, cloth 1936. Rs. 2-0

This is a collection of papers, in Bengali, on certain aspects of Bengali linguistic and literary history. Three of the articles form a general introduction to the origin and development of the Bengali language and of Bengali literature. Others deal with various aspects of Bengali linguistics (*e.g.* some speech habits of Bengali, the elements in the Bengali language, and a study of the aspirates and aspiration in standard and dialectal Bengali). The non-technical way in which most of the papers have been written will make the work useful for the average Bengali reader, as it will be helpful to the student of the subject.

**The Origin and Development of the Bengali Language**, by Sunitikumar Chatterji, M A (Cal.), D Lit. (Lond.)  
Khaira Professor of Indian Linguistics and Phonetics,  
Calcutta University

*(Out of Print Revised edition is under preparation)*

This work, of capital importance for the history and linguistics of Indo-Aryan (with special reference to Bengali), was published, with a Foreword by Sir George A. Grierson, in 1926, in two volumes (Vol I—Introduction and Phonology, pp 1-xci, 1-648, Vol II—Morphology, additions and corrections, and Index of Bengali words, pp 649-1179), at a price of Rs 20. The work has been out of print for some years, and a Second Edition, with considerable additions and some corrections, is under preparation by the author, and is expected to be taken in hand shortly. It is the author's intention to publish this Revised Edition in three volumes—Vol I to form a General Introduction to the History of Indo-Aryan, and the other two volumes to deal specifically with Bengali Phonology and Morphology.

**History of Bengali Language**, by Bijaychandra Majumder, B L, sometime Lecturer in Anthropology, Comparative Philology and Indian Vernaculars, in the University of Calcutta. Second Edition 1927. Demy 8vo pp. 323. Rs 7-0.

The book gives a sketch, in broad outline, of the origin of the Bengali Language and the various influences—linguistic, ethnic, social—that shaped and moulded its earlier history.

In reviewing this book in the J R A S (1923, p 443) Dr L D Barnett writes —“Mr Mazumdar's work on account of its learning, vigorous style, and bold deviation from currently accepted doctrines deserves a fuller notice than can be accorded to it here. Opening with a stout denial of Sir G. Grierson's theory of the origin of Aryan vernaculars he maintains their derivation from the Vedic Language, and explains their variation as due to the influence of Non-Aryan speech, mainly Dravidian in particular. Bengali, Oriya and Assamese are in his opinion all primarily evolved from one and the same Eastern Magadhi Prakrit and the first two have been in-

fluenced in a secondary degree by Dravidian speech. To us the most attractive Chapters are II—IV on the names Vanga and Bangla, the geography of ancient Bangla, with the connected regions Gauda, Radha, and Vanga VI on Bengali phonology and VIII—IX, a fine study of accent in Sanskrit and Bengali and of the Bengali metrical system, which is of especial value as the author himself has won high distinction as a poet in his native language. On the whole it may be said that the book is most stimulating and suggestive, and that it presents a remarkable mass of interesting facts relating to modern Bengali."

**History of Bengali Language and Literature** (in English),  
by Rai Bahadur Dineschandra Sen, B A , D Litt. Demy  
Svo pp 1067 1911 *Slightly worn-eaten.* Reduced  
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A comprehensive view of the development of the Bengali Language and Literature from the earliest times down to 1850. This book has very little affinity with the author's epoch-making Bengali work on the same subject, the arrangement adopted in the present work being altogether new and the latest facts, not anticipated in the Bengali treatise, having been incorporated in it. It has been accepted by Orientalists everywhere as the most complete and authoritative work on the subject. The book is illustrated with many pictures including some coloured ones.

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*The Times Literary Supplement*, London, June 20, 1912 "In his narration, as becomes one who is the soul of scholarly candour, he tells those who can read him with sympathy and imagination more about the Hindu mind and its attitude towards life than we can gather from 50 volumes of impressions of travel by Europeans. Loti's picturesque account of the rites practised in Travancore temples, and even M. Cnevrillon's synthesis of much browsing in Hindu Scriptures, seem faint records by the side of this unassuming tale of Hindu literature. Mr Sen may well be proud of the lasting monument he has erected to the literature of his native Bengal."

*The Spectator*, June 12, 1912 "A book of extraordinary interest to those who would make an impartial study of the Bengali mentality and character—a work which reflects the utmost credit on the candour, industry and learning of its author. In its kind his book is a masterpiece—modest, learned, thorough and sympathetic. Perhaps no other man living has the learning and happy industry for the task he has successfully accomplished."

From a long review by *H Kern* in the *Bydragen of the Royal Institute for Taal* (translated by Dr Kern himself) "Fruit of investigation carried through many years. highly interesting book. the reviewer has all to

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*The Empire*, August 31, 1918 "As a book of reference Mr Sen's work will be found invaluable and he is to be congratulated on the result of his labours. It may well be said that he has proved what an English enthusiast once said that 'Bengali unites the mellifluousness of Italian with the power possessed by German for rendering complex ideas' "

## **Western Influence in Bengali Literature, by Priyaranjan Sen, M A. Demy 8vo pp 417. 1932. Rs 5-0**

Contents —Bengali Literature before Western Influence—Historical Background—Channels of the New Influence—Bengali's Favourite Authors—Influence in Verse Forms—Influence on Bengali Drama—Influence in Prose Forms—Influence on the Matter and Spirit of Literature—Conclusion

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"Even to those who have no expert knowledge of the subject the work is of the greatest interest and reflects much credit on the research and critical acumen of the author. His moderation of expression and sanity of judgment deserve special recognition and the book is well worthy of the honour of being included in the ever lengthening list of important studies issued by the University of Calcutta"—*Prof A Berrisdale Keith*, University of Edinburgh

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now with what it was before the advent of the English and to estimate how far any changes noticeable can be attributed to this influence. Mr Sen has succeeded in producing an eminently readable book, comprehensive rather than elaborate. With the general nature of his findings it is impossible to disagree, and the more so as he refrains, and perhaps from the nature of the case must refrain, from any definite judgments about the respective influences of various factors. Mr Sen has spared no pains and succeeded in producing a book which is both interesting and instructive"—*The Hindu* Jan '9, 1933

The best thing about Mr Piyarajan Sen's study is that with robust common sense he recognizes that Western influence has done immense good and exceedingly little harm and that Bengal can without fear continue to accept with both hands whatever other lands have to offer. A literature and a mind as vigorous as those of this people can make whatever it takes into its own. It would be easy, as always, to suggest a little more fullness here. The poets and novelists of our own time are not altogether neglected. Mr Sen's work is pioneer work and has been well done"—*The Times Literary Supplement*, March 29, 1934

**A History of Brajabuli Literature**, by Sukumar Sen, M A  
Royal 8vo pp 614 With 7 Plates. 1935 Rs 6-8

Vaishnava lyric poetry, the most important and distinctive branch of pre-modern Bengali literature, has been the object of study and enquiry by educated Bengalis since the early sixties of the last century. This lyric poetry is composed partly in pure Bengali and partly in an artificial literary dialect, a mixture of Bengali and Maithili called *Brajabuli*. The present work is in many respects the first systematic attempt to trace the development of this literature historically, and incidentally the author has discussed Vaishnava lyrics in pure Bengali also. In it the author has presented near about four hundred poets, some of whom are brought to the notice of scholars here for the first time. The author has also identified, or tried to do so, most of them. Bengali and Brajabuli poems to the number of three hundred have been quoted (in the Roman type in the body of the book) and translated, and at the end of the work these three hundred poems (some of which are published from MSS for the first time) have been printed in the Bengali character, and these form a representative anthology of Bengali Vaishnava lyrics.

**Opinion**

From a review by Prof Jules Bloch in *Journal Asiatique*, January-March, 1936, pp 167-69 (Translated from French) —

*Brajabuli* which has served as the medium of expression to Vaishnava poets of Bengal is not Bengali, but it is not the language of the Braj country, known under the name of *Brajbhāṣā*. Mr Sen explains clearly how after the Turkish conquest the Bengalis were compelled to search at Mithila for a centre of Sanskrit culture and brought back from there sometime about 1500 A.D. a type of poetry and poetical language. This language, mixed with western elements and more specially adapted for the Kṛṣṇa legend, had thus a two-fold reason to be called "the speech of Braj". From Bengal the practice spread almost immediately to Orissa and a few decades later to Assam.

"The Vaisnava lyrics occupy a great place in Bengali literature. More than five hundred poems have been published and there are still many more. Mr Sen makes use of an anthology in manuscript dating in the 17th century (of which he reproduces a page on p 423). The theme of these lyrics, namely the love of Kṛṣṇa and Rādhā, has received a mystic and philosophical interpretation which has been many times treated in the works of D C Sen, and lately by Mr S. K De in his excellent edition of the *Padyāvali* of Rūpa Goswāmin (Dacca University, 1934), which Mr S Sen had known in course of print (*vide* p 486, n 7), or again in French in the thesis of Mr S K Chakravarti, *Čaitanya et sa théorie de l'amour divin* (1933). Mr Sen in his turn has given a resumé (Ch II III) of this philosophical interpretation and the psychological and rhetorical value of themes dealt with. He gives a resumé in Chapters XXIII and XXIV also of the history of the legend of Kṛṣṇa and Rādhā. In regard to this last problem let us note that in admitting the influence of Southern India in the propagation of the legend he justly remarks that the Tamil god Māyōṇ is the translation and not the original of Kṛṣṇa 'the Black' (p 482)."

"In between these chapters, which are really introductory, is inserted the chronological presentation of more than three hundred poets amongst whom many were till now unknown or unrecognised (*cf* p 30, Murāri, to whom were attributed only Sanskrit poems). For each of these poets Mr Sen gives the transcription and the translation of some of their poems (for which he should be thanked), or at least of fragments. It has been so well done that the book has really become an anthology of the Vaisnava lyrics of Bengal (this anthology is given at the end of the book in Bengali characters). We speak of an anthology of the Vaisnava lyrics in Brajabuli, because fortunately through a lapse of his original plan Mr Sen has not remained contented with the presentation of Brajabuli poems only from 1500 A D to our times (because its use has continued in literary tradition by Madhusudan Datta, the Christian poet, who used it in 1861 A D, and even by Rabindranath Tagore, in his earlier days under a borrowed misleading name). He has appended to it the Vaisnava poetry in Brajabhāṣā, in Sanskrit and in Bengali—because Bengali also, and it is too natural, has utilized simultaneously since Candidās (the earlier) till the end of the 18th century (p 388-443)."

"In these masses of documents of analyses and of arguments would then remain any details to be discussed? The local experts will tell us about it when their turn comes. In any case here there is enough without doubt for characterizing the extent and the contents of this excellent work as well as the diversity of benefits that can be derived from the work."

**Bengali Ramayanas**, by Rai Bahadur Dineschandra Sen, B A , D.Litt Demy 8vo pp 335 1920 *Slightly worm-eaten.* Rs 7-8 A few copies left

In this book the author advances certain theories regarding the basic materials upon which the Epic of Valmiki was built and the ideals presented therein as also the sources of the Bengali Ramayanas and the principles contained in them.

*The Times Literary Supplement*, April 7, 1921—"The Indian Epics deserve closer study than they have hitherto received at the hands of the average Englishmen of culture. Apart from the interest of the main themes, the wealth of imagery and the beauty of many of the episodes, they are store-houses of information upon the ancient life of India and a key to the origin of customs which still live. Moreover, they show many curious affinities to Greek literature which suggest the existence of legends common to both countries."

The main theme of these lectures is the transformation of the old majestic Sanskrit Epic as it came from the hands of Valmiki to the more familiar and homely style of the modern Bengali versions. The Ramayana, we are told, is a protest against Buddhist monasticism, the glorification of the domestic home. The Bengali versions, by reducing the grandeur of the heroic characters to the level of ordinary mortals bring the Epic within the reach of the humblest peasant, they have their own virtues, just as the simple narrative of the Gospels has its own charm, though it be different in kind from that of Isaiah's majestic cadences.

From a review in the *Journal of the Royal Asiatic Society* by Sir George Grierson. This is the most valuable contribution to the literature on the Ramayana which has appeared since Professor Jacobi's work on the Ramayana was published in 1893. The latter was confined to Valmiki's famous Epic, and the present volume, from the pen of the veteran author of the *History of Bengali Language and Literature*, carries the inquiry on to a further stage and throws light both on the origins of the story and on its later developments.

**The Vaishnava Literature of Mediæval Bengal**, by Rai Bahadur Dineschandra Sen, B.A., D.Litt. Demy 12mo pp 312. 1917 Re 1-6.

(Out of Print. Revised edition is under preparation.)

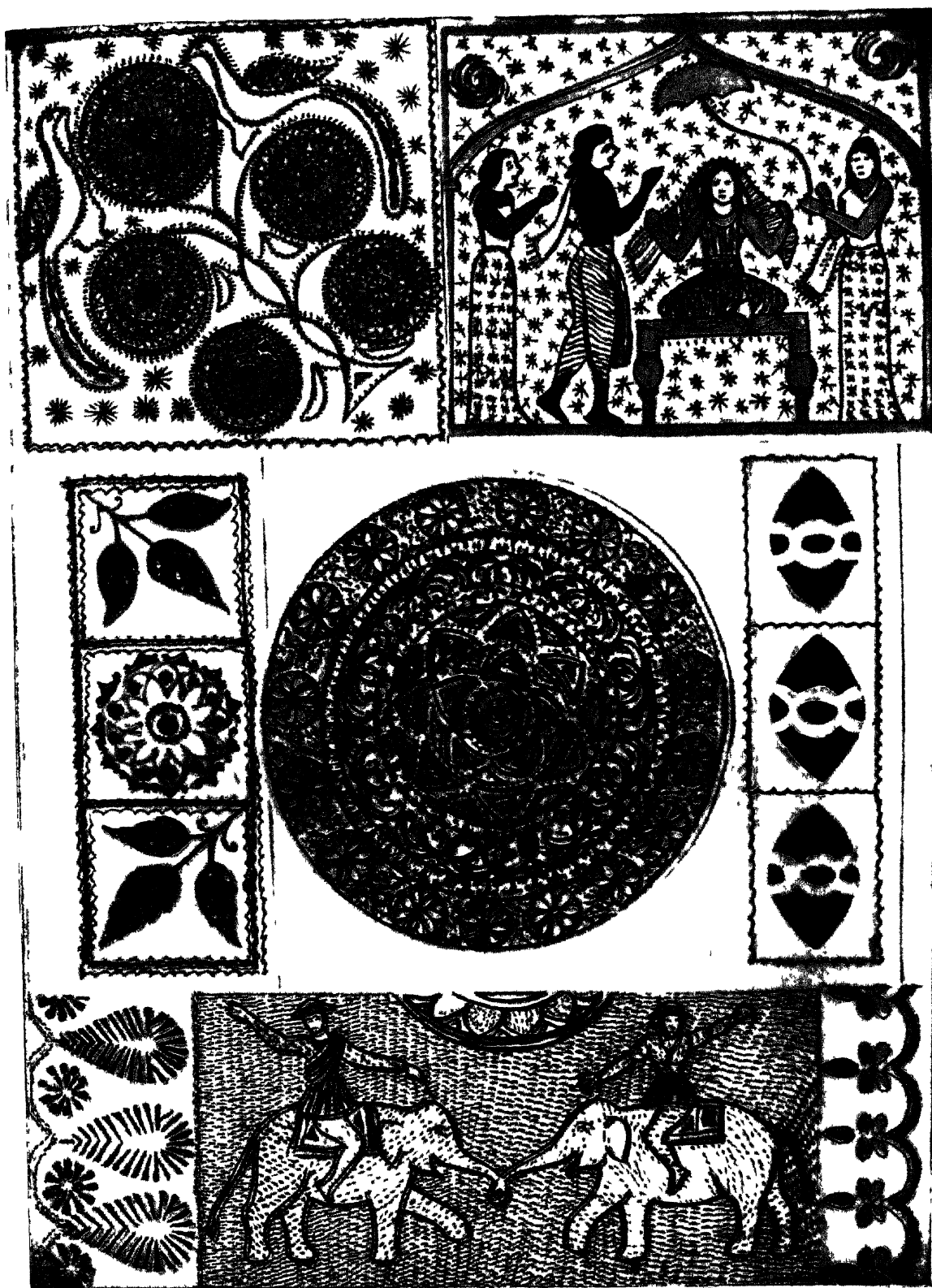
The book contains a connected history of the influence of Vaishnava Literature of the Mediæval Age on the development of Bengali Language, with concluding chapters on the relation between the Buddhist and Vaishnava creeds and similarity between Vaishnavism and Christianity. It clearly shows how religion once played a great part in the building up of our national literature.

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**Brihat Banga** (in Bengali), by Dr. Dineschandra Sen, D.Litt. (Hon.), Rai Bahadur. Royal 8vo pp 1275 in two volumes. Rs 12-0.

'Brihat Banga' (Greater Bengal), the latest work of Dr. Dineschandra Sen, has 300 illustrations with an index of 64 pages. The author gives a comprehensive survey of the contents of the book in a long preface which also deals with many new points. Tracing the history of Greater Bengal from pre-historic epochs the work closes with an account of the Battle of Plassey and its sequel. Among the illustrations many are novel and original. The book lays particular stress on social evolutions, and literary, religious and artistic movements in the different periods of Bengal's national life.



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10 *The Pravāsi*, Srāvana, 1432 B S —

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11 *Anandabazar Patrika*, dated 31st July, 1935—

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**First Outlines of a Systematic Anthropology of Asia**, by V Giuffrida-Ruggeri (translated from Italian by Haran-chandra Chakladar, M A ) Royal 8vo pp 110 Re 1-8

It gives an account of the anthropometric characteristics in respect of stature, cephalic index, and nasal index of living subjects with additional information on the subject obtained by the author from different sources

**Pre-historic India**, by Panchanan Mitra, M A Ph D.  
(Yale), 2nd edition, 1927 (Details given on page 26)

**The Aborigines of the Highlands of Central India**, by  
B C Majumdar Demy 8vo pp i-iv + 84 Re 1-8.

In this monograph the author has furnished a comprehensive view of all the tribes of Central India and has suggested some new propositions regarding the origin of the racial characteristics of the Sabara-Kol people. It has been shown for the first time in this book how a large number of aboriginal tribes of the highlands of Central India are inter-related and bear genetic affinity to one another and how their social and religious institutions tend strongly to prove that the area aforesaid has been the land of their racial characterisation.

#### OPINIONS

*Prof J C Haddon, F R S of Cambridge* —Valuable and interesting little book on the Sabara Kol people. I hope to make use of it in the future, but for the present I am engaged with New Guinea. This little book strikes me as being a careful attempt to clear up some of the problems of that complicated region (the highlands of Central India), and as such, is useful. The University has done well to publish the book.

*Sir Eduard A Gait* —I may say at once that I quite agree with the author's main point, viz, that the Kols, or Munda speaking peoples, have been in occupation of the highlands of Central India for many centuries. It is wonderful how he manages to write on so many subjects without being able to use his eyes. Very few have been able to overcome a handicap like this so successfully as he has.

*L E B Cobden Ramsay, Esq, C I E* —I have read with very great interest Mr Majumdar's monograph on the Aborigines of the Highlands of Central India. I consider the thesis put forward of the origin of the racial characteristics of the Sabara Kol race as most able and interesting. The author has given convincing evidence that this race is not to be confounded with the Dravidian races, the point is one of great importance not only to students at the University but to advanced scholars of Ethnology and they owe a great debt to Mr Majumdar for his study and research.

The original habitat of the Sabara Kol race has been proved with great skill and knowledge.

If I may be permitted to add a personal note I would say that in 1905 I spent six months in the Feudatory States then included in the Chota Nagpur Division and devoted considerable time to compiling notes on the various aboriginal races I came in contact with more especially, notes on the Kharwars of Sutguja. I am, therefore, in a position to corroborate Mr Majumdar's remarks on the Kharwars and in my opinion he has very clearly established the original habitat and inter-relationship of the Sabara Kol race and what is more important that the race is not a Dravidian race.

**A History of American Anthropology**, by Panchanan  
Mitra, M A , Ph D Demy 8vo pp 239 1934 Rs 2-8

This book was originally presented and approved as a thesis for the degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Yale University in Ethnology during the session 1929-30.

**Elements of Social Anthropology**, by B C Majumdar  
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**Culture and Kultur Race Origins or the Past Unveiled**,  
by H Bruce Hannah, Barrister-at-Law Demy 8vo pp 158  
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Besides other cognate matters, the book generally deals with race-origins, race-developments and race-movements, and differentiates, not only between Barbarous Races and Culture-Races, but also between Barbarous Races that were or are civilised and those that were or are uncivilised.

**Anthropological Papers (New Series)**

**No. 1. Hos of Seraikella**, Part I (Anthropological Papers, New Series, No. 1), by Anathnath Chatterjee, M.B.B.S., and Tarakchandra Das, M.A. Royal 8vo pp 94 (Profusely illustrated) 1927 Rs 2-0

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**No. 2 and 3. The Bhumijas of Seraikella and the Wild Kharias of Dhalbhum** (Anthropological Papers, New Series, Nos. 2 and 3), by Tarakchandra Das, M.A. Royal 8vo pp 65 and 40. 1931. Rs 2-8

The Bhumijas form an important branch of the pre-Dravidian peoples of Chota Nagpur. They are distributed over a wide range of territory including Bengal, Bihar and Orissa, and Assam.

though the main section inhabits the districts of Manbhum. The major part of the tribe has adopted Hindu manners and customs and has secured a place in the Hindu social system. But a few still persist in the observance of the older animistic faith together with their ancient manners and customs which also are undergoing modifications. The present monograph deals with a part of the latter section of the tribe inhabiting a small native state in the district of Singbhum. It describes the social organisation, kinship system, religious beliefs and ideas and also the life-history of an individual. The monograph is well illustrated with several plates.

The Wild Kharias form an interesting tribe inhabiting the hills and jungles of Chota Nagpur and Orissa. Excepting one or two stray references in books of travel nothing is known to have appeared in print about this decadent tribe which still clings to the food-gathering stage of culture. The paper deals with the manners and customs, material culture and the religious beliefs and practices of the tribe. It is profusely illustrated. The ethnic types illustrated here are accompanied by records of anthropometric measurements—a novel feature in Indian ethno-photography.

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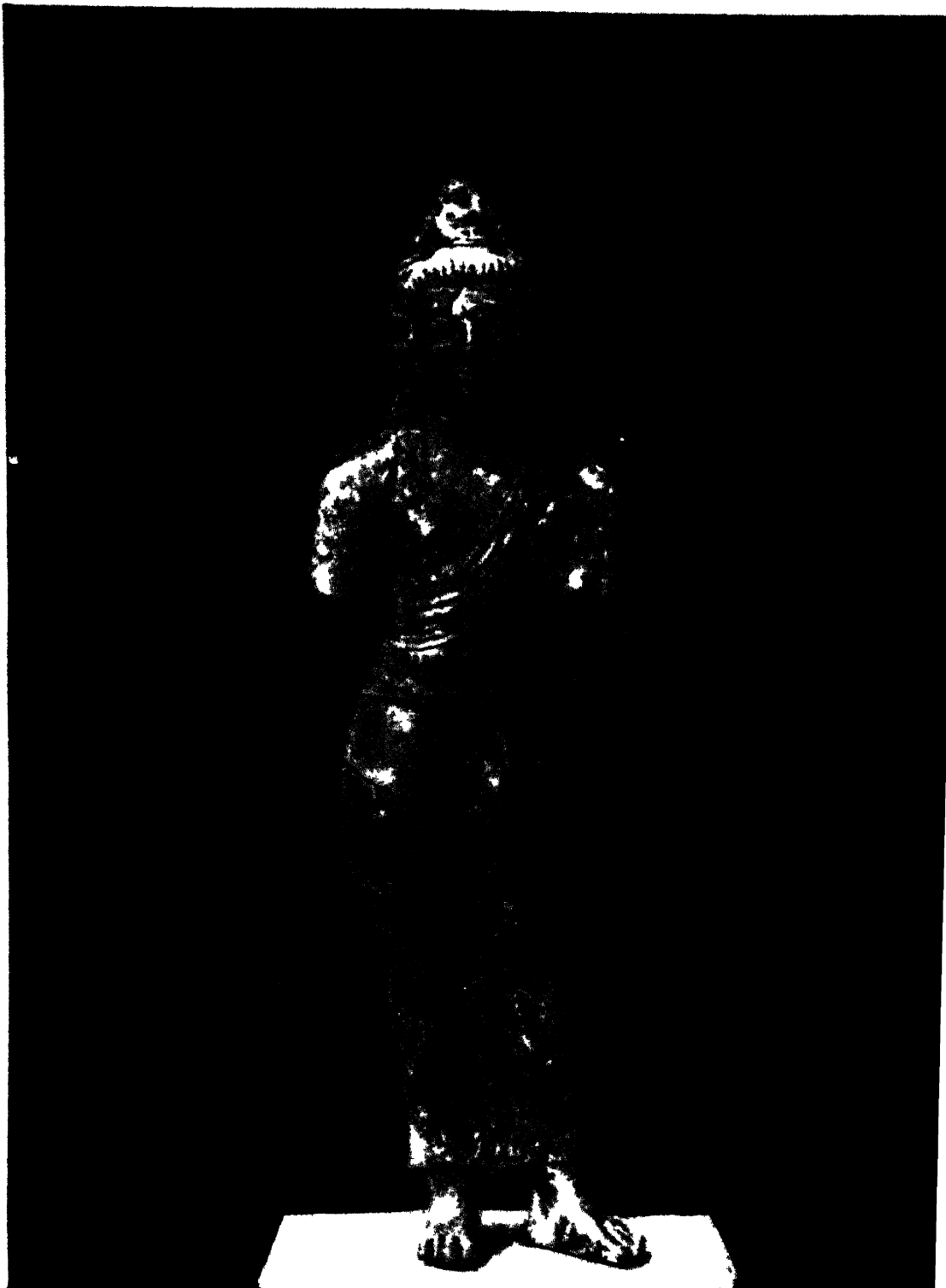
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